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Minutes of the M.D. Council of Lambton

The council met at Delia on Saturday, February 4th, at 2 p.m. All councillors were present.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and, on motion of coun. Cole, were adopted.

A letter was read from the Bureau of Relief and Public Welfare advising us that relief for Jacob Denning would be deducted from our grant and aid until other arrangements had been made. Moved by the Reeve that a letter be sent to Mr. J. E. Brownlee acquainting him with the facts and asking him his opinion as to how much it would cost to have the matter settled by a court case. Carried.

It was decided to set the price of all parcels of tax sale land at the meeting of the council to be held March 13th next.

Moved by coun. McNair that Bruce Reimer be authorized to sign cheques, and do the banking business for the municipality until Mr. Ross's return. Carried.

Moved by coun. Dunfield that the Holy Cross Hospital account for indigent cases be paid. Carried.

Moved by coun. Carter that caveats be filed on lands two or more years in arrears of taxes. Carried.

The Secretary was instructed to write to the Dept. of Agriculture for information regarding horse vaccine for the coming season.

A letter was read from Mrs. Farquharson advising the council of her resignation from the Delia Cemetery Committee. Moved by coun. McNair that Mrs. Barss and Mrs. Grant be asked to act on the Delia Cemetery Committee, with power to add another member to the committee if they so desire. Carried.

Moved by coun. Cole that G. E. Giles' application for Old Age Pension be accepted. Carried.

The Secretary was instructed to start a file containing guaranteed hospital accounts.

Moved by the Reeve that a letter be written to the Chairman of the Hanna Hospital Board asking for their co-operation in getting some of the medicinal business given to the druggist at Craigmyle, especially after the patients have returned to their homes, in view of the fact that the druggist at Craigmyle is a duly licensed druggist and because of the large requisition obtained from the Municipal District of Lambton, No. 806. Carried.

Moved by the Reeve that a letter be written to the Department of Agriculture asking that the spread in price between commercial and registered seed be lowered, because of the fact that many of the farmers in this district need to have new seed after having relief seed for two years. Carried.

The Secretary was instructed to write to Mr. J. E. Brownlee and ask his advice regarding the case of Nelson versus Municipal District of Lambton, No 806.

Moved by coun. Cole that the application of Soldier Settlement of Canada for consolidation of taxes be accepted. Carried.

The following correspondence was read: Alberta Association of Municipal Districts, Dept. of Municipal Affairs, Mrs C. A. Hudgeon, Dept. of Public Works, Dept of Agriculture, C. A. Cranton, A. C. Clayton, Drumheller Municipal Hospital.

Moved by coun. Cole that accounts as presented be passed for payment. Carried.

Meeting adjourned.

ACCOUNTS PASSED FOR PAYMENT

Western Municipal News	$25.25
Mother's Allowance (Dec)	22.50
Mother's Allowance (Nov.)	22.50
City of Calgary (Relief, Dec.)	14.05
City of Calgary (Jan. Relief)	21.65
Bond M.D. Lambton	20.00
Stationery	.10
M. H. Relief	13.00
Hanna Hospital	24.50
Phone	5.50
Best, Delia (Nov., Feb)	2.00
C.N.R., express	.35
Western Groceries	9.00
Richardson Rural Machinery	1.00
B. A. Kirkeby (Relief, Oats)	7.50
Delia Co-op	8.00
King's Printer	13.10
Pay Sheets:	
Division 1	$18.85
Division 3	8.75
M. Davey	8.75

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IT is interesting to note that for centuries chemists engaged in scientific research have looked to the day when sunshine rays would be trapped and harnessed by man. In the eighteenth century, Joseph Addison wrote a humorous story of an Englishman who bottled Sunlight as one would preserve fruit.

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Banff Carnival Queen

Miss Helen Gay Kelly of Butte, Montana, will reign as Queen of the Banff Winter Carnival, February 16th to 18th inclusive. Hundreds of winter sports enthusiasts are enlisting under her banner and the best in skiing, skating and tobogganing will add to the gaiety of this continent-famous Rocky Mountain Carnival. Clear, crisp, mountain air, towering peaks, and amazing hospitality combine toward making the Banff Carnival one of the Continent's outstanding winter sport fests. Skiers find it the gateway to the internationally known areas at Skoki, Sunshine and Lake Louise.

Wedding Bells

JASON—DMYTRUK

A very pretty home wedding was solemnized at Pinewood, Ostorio, on Sunday, Feb. 5th, when Annie elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Dmytruk, of Delia, was united in marriage to Andrew, eldest son of Mr and Mrs. Jason, of Pinewood. The United Church pastor performed the ceremony.

The bride, who was charmingly attired in a gown of white lace with full length veil, and carried a bouquet of pink carnations, was given away by her mother, Mrs. V. Dmytruk. She was attended by two sisters of the groom, Miss Phyllis and Miss Annie Jason, who wore pink and blue georgette gowns, and carried bouquets of white roses.

After the ceremony a delicious lunch was served. A three-tier wedding cake centered the table.

On Monday following, the groom gave a dance at the Pinewood Hall which was attended by over one hundred guests.

The happy couple will reside in Pinewood, where Mr. Jason has operated a general store for the past four years.

U.F.A. and U.F.W.A.

A joint meeting of the U.F.A. and the U.F.W.A. was held on Thursday afternoon, with Mrs. W. L. Carter presiding for the first part, while matters pertaining to the U.F.W.A were being dealt with.

After some discussion, it was decided to purchase one half-dozen chairs for the Rest Room, Mrs. Simpson and Mrs. W. L. Carter being a committee to secure same.

Programs are being ordered for use throughout the year, which will prove interesting. Other routine business being concluded, Mr. V. J. Simpson, president of the U.F.A., then occupied the chair and called on Henry Moore, delegate to the U.F.A. convention recently held in Calgary, to give a report of same. Mr. Moore gave a full, detailed report in interesting manner, which was well received by a hearty vote of thanks.

A progressive year's program is being planned; and all will be welcome who are interested in educating themselves to be the best possible citizens of the community, the nation and the world. Regular meeting day is the last Thursday of each month.

Meeting adjourned and Mrs. John Carter served a most delicious lunch.

To Check Rust In Wheat

It is anticipated here that the introduction of Reward, Thatcher and Apex wheat, all rust resistant, and the increasing use of these varieties in the West will forever offset any possibility of widespread losses from rust.

Correspondence

While we are at all times willing to publish letters of public interest from correspondents, we do not bind ourselves to the opinions expressed therein.

The Old-Timer Will Understand

To the Editor of "The Delia Times":

SIR,—Once more I hasten to dash off a few lines to the old-timers, connected with the sacred occupations of acquiring food. If, and until, it is possible to devise an oil-mash of some kind to live on, I suppose each and all will have to be content with farm products.

I do not mean to do the ostrich stunt or to emulate the robot. As farming, or farming the farmer, seems to be the foundation of our economic structure, would it not be well to examine the foundation. For generations of ages this old cave man right to get of acquiring food has been going on. From our methodoc economists I have attempted to get some explanation regarding the method of purpose behind it, but without success.

Was it by any chance for slavery and ignorance? Is a new day dawning; can we not vision a day when the art of acquiring food will be regarded as a means of living for all, rather than a mode of existence for those connected with it? While we have plenty of sleep and food in Canada, I can see no reason why we should have it pulled over our eyes.

Canada might some day have to submit her youth to a system of compulsory farm and domestic training such as exists in Germany and Italy, or even the Most Rev. Archbishop of Rupert's Land. Oh, oh! Well, well! Would it not be more in order to submit this scientific new performance as garbage heap along with some more of our hay-wire antiques and get going right? Then I shall again see my self-respect leaves out of Hitler's or Mussolini's book. What is needed, however, is to rally out of our mourning garments and exercise what we have got, namely, democracy. Someone has said democracy has failed. No, no! If anything has failed, it is you and I along with our political snipers and chisslers. Their are no failkers among the old-line politicians in Alberta. No, sir! They just seem to be loaded up as per usual style with high-powered tablets; by the time I each tablet is spent I am so stoved full—the old-timer will understand. If it is possible, we have become a financial toy in exercise democracy, then the natural result is, George will do it for us. Make no mistake about that. Something is rong somewhere.

During the past hundred years or so, since man began to share his face, it seems he has been getting into more and more difficulty. Is that where our trouble lies? Possibly if we would shave the back of our head for a while and give the face a rest we might be able to come to some definate and logical conclusions. Would a jockass starve at a haystack? Not so dumb.

"Hitler, zrorld's greatest statesman." So says a learned mind. Shall we be caught napping as the German people and permit some sniper to snatch our liberty and bully it over us? Have we not been guided by dry gas politicians, editorss and writers of yesterday about long enough?

From a prominent author in England comes the startling statement, in part as follows: "Universal reign of make belief frightens me. Masses drugged by football, gambling, etc. Mammon leving unemployed millions to rot." It seems, old-timer, the youth in England as well as in Canada, go light in the head chasing a football and hockey puck, while the old-timers go stooped in the back to load the box cars. The U.S. government launches upon community farm project. Land vested in State where it rightfully belongs. Next new homes, electric light, refrigerators, washing machines, modern equipment, recreational center. A town without a name or policeman. Can 5c not get the vision? Have we not played with the youth the old game of put and take long enough? By that I mean the old-timer gets the hard fees, while a bum wave around it, some sheds, exploits the soil, pollutes it with weeds, then begins to take it out of the youth to pay for it. Let us not deserve ourselves; the youth may not for ever slumber with the old drug of cheap sport opium. The youth runs the drug while the old men rig the racket in council rooms apart. What shall we do with democracy? Shall we scrap it and betray it, or shall we rally to exercise it in a rigorous manner? Is it not time to snap out of our oldish camouflage and realize this earth was not put here for man to monopolize?

R. BRUCE ALLEN.

Municipal Questions

To the Editor of "The Delia Times."

SIR,—Please allow me to repeat the questions asked by Old Zeke, appearing in The Delia Times, Dec. 8, 1938.

We employ a secretary by the year and then pay mileage, assistants, and at present a kind of sub secretary.

The auditor's report for 1931 does not mention rent or heat, secretary's salary, $1,696.00.

1932—rent, $2.00; secretary's salary, $1,250.

1933—rent, $6.00; secretary's salary, $1,125.00.

1934—rent, $4.00; secretary's salary, $1,000.00.

Secretary's salary was reduced after a discussion at an open meeting.

1935—rent, $6.00; a second item, rent and heat, $137.50; assistant, $75.00; secretary's salary, $1,237.50.

1936—rent, $4.00; office rent and heat, $150.00; secretary's salary, $1,385.00.

1937—rent, $7.00; office rent and heat, $137.50; secretary's salary, $1,297.50; assistant, $200.00.

Since the auditor's report for 1931 does not mention rent or heat, and the council reports their meetings in The Delia Times, I am going to ask the council of M. D. Lambton No. 806 to explain the charge through the medium of The Delia Times. How much was paid for rent, and who got it? Also, how much was paid for coal, and to whom was it paid?

Also, why we employ a secretary by the year, and then an assistant and a present sub secretary, and why these charges did not appear in previous reports of the auditors?

I think I should add another question to those of Zeke.

We have been told that there is more work for the secretary since the depression than before because of feed, seed, oil and relief of many kinds.

The auditor, after the heading, "Postage, Printing, Stationary," bunched together without any itemized accounts—lets costs as follows:

I will give the extreme costs of the past few years.

1923—Postage, stationery, and office supplies, $672.25.

1932—Printing, stationery, postage, $626.00.

1938—Postage, printing, stationery, $513.65.

These are costs of the same office, doing the same work, and I hope the council will tell us why this great fluctuation, and what causes it." It can be done."

S. S. DEMOTT.

DELIA LADIES' AID

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society was held in the annex of the church, on Thursday, Feb. 2. Mrs. Grant, the president, in the chair.

The following were elected convenors for the booths for the bazaar to be held in the fall:

Aprons—Mrs. Howarth and Mrs. Cook.

Candy—Mrs. Dunfield.

Produce—Mrs. Mason.

Mrs. Greer supplied the program, and Mrs. Cook's solo was greatly enjoyed by all.

Arrangements were made for a pie social, to be held early in March. Date to be announced later.

Meeting adjourned, and a social half-hour was spent. Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Dunfield acting as hostesses.

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February 22nd	1:30 p.m.	CFCN Calgary	F. Fuller
February 23rd	1:00 p.m.	CKUA Edmonton	E. H. Buckingham
February 25th	7:45 p.m.	CFGP Grande Prairie	W. S. Smith

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Projects With Possibilities

If Western Canada is to derive the maximum of benefits from the plans and operations of Ducks Unlimited, whose projects reached the stage of initial field work during the summer just passed, close co-operation between and co-ordination with the activities of all departments of the federal and western provincial governments is highly essential.

At the outset of its active career in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, Ducks Unlimited established a close contact with the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration and the two organizations with a joint objective of conservation of water, but for differ nt reasons, have maintained not only friendly relations but have exchanged information and have collaborated closely in carrying out their respective projects.

This is as it should be, but this co-operation and co-ordination can, and doubtless will in the future, be extended to embrace within and further promote the activities of the provincial governmental departments, including those devoted to construction and maintenance of highways and those devoted to the administration of game laws and Conservation of wild life, as well as those concerned with agriculture, the development of the natural resources and publicity, to name some provincial government activities which could very well be tied in with water conservation to the ultimate advantage of all concerned.

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A Laudable Ambition

For the benefit of those who may not be very familiar with the scope of operations and ambitions of Ducks Unlimited, it might be appropriate at this stage to say that the primary objective of this organization is to conserve existing breeding grounds and provide for ducks in the northern reaches of the three prairie provinces, to extend them and to develop new ones wherever conservation of water and topographical features lend themselves to such development.

Where such areas are not already game preserves and bird sanctuaries it is proposed, of course, to convert them into safe harborages for game birds and wild life and to make them available for sportsmen and duck hunting grounds, where sportsmen who are willing to conform to the tenets of wild life conservation within the boundaries of proper control measures may take their pleasure in season.

A report on the first season's work carried out in the field by Ducks Unlimited reveals that three major projects, one in the each of the three prairie provinces, involving the construction of dams and other appropriate works have already been completed, with two additional projects and other contemplated projects will impound runoff water next spring and, to quote the organization's report, "restore to natural, profitable use, 100,000 acres of water, marsh and upland each acre capable of producing 100 ducks" or a total of ten million ducks.

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Other Aids Necessary

It requires little imagination to see what such an undertaking may well mean to the people of the provinces which are co-operating with Ducks Unlimited. It will open up substantial areas which should prove veritable grandines for duck hunting sportsmen and women from all parts of the continent, provided the necessary steps are taken to let them know that such places of recreation and rest exist and means to make them accessible and furnished.

Such an objective necessarily entails the construction and maintenance of adequate highways coupled with an effective program of publicity in these areas from which tourists and visitors may be drawn to come and enjoy the available attractions and incidentally, leave some of their good money in these provinces. The latter is a natural and inevitable corollary of the former.

With all governmental departments combining to provide all the necessary facilities to make the most of the site of these projects and of others which undoubtedly will follow in the future, it is not difficult to foresee that the results will have a most beneficial effect on the economic life of the country.

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International Goodwill

The possibilities for the future are well summed up in the closing paragraph of a report on the activities of the organization in the following words:

"Ducks Unlimited is a co-operative enterprise in sport and conservation —of international scope. Its immediate purpose is to restore and increase ducks—as an integral part of a sound development of all resources. Its ultimate goal will include the generation of understanding and goodwill throughout the whole continent."

One Of Deadliest Weapons

Motor Car Improperly Handled Can Do Untold Damage

Many motorists do not know the deadly power of the weapon in their charge when carelessly handled. The motor car in itself is foolproof, properly cared for. The trouble when there is trouble, usually is due to the head back of the wheel.

"Canadian Underwriter", which devotes much of a recent issue to highway accidents, points this: "Engineers say that a motorist who crashes into a solid object at 60 miles per hour suffers the same force of impact that he would if he dived off the roof of a 12-story building."

No sane motorist would drive off a 12-story building. How many "going on" trains the danger?

A car going 60 represents nine times the energy of one going 20 miles per hour; it is nine times as hard to stop, travels nine times as far before stopping, hits any object nine times as hard, and brings death six times as often.

The insurance journal also offers this for thought: At 20 miles per hour, according to the law of averages, there is one death in 64 accidents; at 30 to 35 miles, one death in 42; at 30 to 40 miles, one in 35; at 40 to 50 miles, one in 25 accidents; over 50, one in 11.

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Wheat For The Greeks

Canadian exports to Greece are composed almost exclusively of wheat. Over 25,000 tons of Canadian wheat and wheat flour have been exported from Canada it is expected that the second half of 1938 will show a considerable advance.

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It is estimated that rodents, insects and other wild life leave only 25 per cent. of the range grass for livestock.

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Chipmunks are known under the generic name "Tamias," meaning steward, because of their habit of storing away provisions.

Reclaiming The Desert

South Africa Placing Settlers On Fertile Irrigated Land

Into a one-time desert where South Africa's earliest known man drove sled to obtain a primitive living the Union Government is sending settlers to reap crops from fertile, irrigated lands.

Sixty-five miles north of Kimberley lies an area in which 41 years ago hunters watched the greatest game migration in memory—saw animals heading north to escape encroaching drought as rivers and water holes dried up. Not far from there the Taungs skull was found, relic of the country's earliest man who is believed to have been overwhelmed by the fierce drought of his homeland.

Cecil Rhodes, the Empire builder saw the country and expressed belief only irrigation would make it habitable. Stone sought to settle in it before water was brought to it. Their children grew up and sometimes died without having seen a flowing stream all their lives.

Now the government has established 72 settlers and their families in little cottages made by diverting waters of the Vaal and Hartz Rivers. It plans to help many more find new homes in the area, giving each settler plots of about 60 acres each, moving them into comfortable prefabricated homes that reach the country "knocked down" but ready for assembly.

Eventually the government hopes it will be able to place about 5,000 settlers in the newly-reclaimed area. For the moment it plans to send 1,000 families. Skill in picking each batch from as many as 1,200 applicants at a time and obtaining the best possible settlers. Preference is given to married men who are placed on probation in the new land and ousted in five years if they don't "make good."

The homes cost roughly $1,200, contain two or three bedrooms with bathroom, kitchen and garden from which they have large kitchens, dining and living rooms and are built of sun-dried earthy walls to maintain even temperature.

The government clears 20 acres on each farm land of heavy boulders and bush, leaving the settler to complete the job. Each man gets six trek oxen, several cows, agricultural implements and a month for his wife and himself, a little more than $3 for each child living with him and $2 dependent on him, up to a maximum of $15.

In six months the cash allowance is stopped, but, out of the first crop it is cancelled unless the settler has a good reason for not being self-supporting.

Officials say the scheme will never pay for itself any more than Holland's dykes do. But they hope it will prevent—or will check like the wanted trek or rural populations to cities.

Proud Of His Achievement

Captain Accompanied By Dog Took Long Trip In Small Boat

A hardy seafarer, Capt. William A. Crowell, completed a "solo cruise" in a 16-foot boat, the rudder sail sloop from Halifax, N.S. to Vancouver, B.C., and back to Boston.

Capt. Crowell left Boston on the long voyage was his pet dog, Togo, a black cocker spaniel who not only "navigated the boat with him" while master was busy with other tasks but to swim ashore with messages.

Capt. Crowell's trip was enlivened by a number of hairbreadth experiences and he rode out of gales that carried away larger craft than the 16-footer. Through from the Panama Canal he encountered a storm off the coast of Nicaragua which demolished the mainmast. A bolt of lightning struck the ketch, splitting its water tank and centreboard box.

Rainfall, he said was in a bad way," reminisced skipper Crowell.

Capt. Crowell recalled that he left Nova Scotia home at Dartmouth, in July, 1936, and reached Vancouver in the ketch a year later. After a two months' visit he returned to the Atlantic coast and up to time to witness the schooner race between the Canadian Bluenose and the Gloucester fishing vessel Gertrude L. Thebaud for the international fishermen's trophy.

Highlight of Capt. Crowell's adventure was the surprise invitation extended him to come aboard the Canarder Queen Mary in New York harbor.

Between Watch Ticks.

We travel along with the earth, on its orbit about the sun, about 1,500,000 miles a day which figures about 1,000 years ago by an erring magnetic meter. Previous copies have shown the 400-acre spot, off Massena, in white to conform with the province of Ontario. An international incident has arisen over the error. In fact no one noticed it until A. J. Belfrus of Toronto framed the map and sent him by the Secretary of State's office last July.

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Science says four out of five people are untroubled by nerves. They are the ones you hear honking.

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An adult needs about 900 pounds of fresh vegetables a year.

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Ages of stars can be told by their color, which changes as they grow older.

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Small fish are burned as candles by Alaskan miners.

Farther North

Highway Opening Up Vast Mineral Areas In Manitoba

One hundred miles of highway now connect The Pas with Mafeking, and points south, to provide a link between the "inside" and the "outside" of Manitoba. There remains only the official opening of No. 10 highway to introduce this fact to the general public of Canada.

Some day, perhaps the road will be carried to the shores of Hudson Bay—connect by highway the most northerly port in America, Churchill, with Cape Horn, to the South.

To serve the mining communities of Flin Flon, Herb Lake and Cranberry Portage, the anticipated site of immediate future development, the road must be carried on to the Portages. From there its future traffic can be carried economically by barge to and from surrounding communities.

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Only 40 miles of new road, at the most, are necessary to offer a fair guarantee that the trade and benefits from these mineral areas of the future will accrue to Manitoba, the builders of the new road.—Northern Mail, The Pas.

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Wild Fowl Photographed

Miss Squire, Of Kansas, Spends Summer In The Far North

Miss Lorene Squire, one of the foremost wild-fowl and game photographers in Canada and the United States, is back in Harper, Man., after another summer of camera shooting in Canada's northern regions.

A color reel of the Canadian reindeer herd on Richards Island, Mackenzie Delta shots of rare black and white snow geese and a close-up of a flock of wild swans are a few of the pictures taken on her latest expedition.

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Miss Squire studied in University of Kansas, majoring in dramatics, but took up photographing after graduation in 1932. She says she does not make sufficient money at this occupation to do more than finance but spends far too much time at it to call it a hobby.

Miss Squire went into the northland in June. She travelled by plane and whaleboat and a trip from Churchill, Man., to Baffin Land via the S.S. Nascopie was included. She said she loved life in the north and planned to return next summer.

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Commemorative Coinage

New Silver Dollar Will Be Struck By Royal Canadian Mint

A new silver dollar, commemorative of the visit to Canada next summer of their Majesties King George and Queen Elizabeth, will be struck shortly by the royal Canadian mint, Prime Minister Mackenzie King announced.

The coin will bear the likeness of King George on one side and a design symbolic of the royal visit on the opposite side.

There will also be an issue of stamps in three series to commemorate the event. The one-cent stamp will be green with the features of the royal princesses. A brown two-cent stamp will show the national war memorial which His Majesty will unveil next May, while the likenesses of the king and queen will appear on the three-cent stamp which will be large in size and red as at present.

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The tassel-eared squirrel grows cartuffs each fall. These grow to a length of 1½ inches by midwinter and fall off in the spring.

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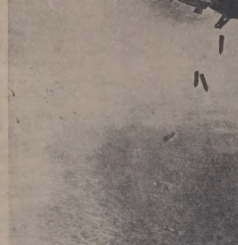
The Camiquiare river, in Venezuela, flows in opposite directions in different seasons.



DEATH FROM THE SKY IN SPAIN!

Look out below! Death's coming and it's coming fast! A remarkable picture over Valencia, Spain, showing Spanish insurgent bombers planes dropping their missiles of death on the city of Valencia, miles below. Note the smoke of fires caused by other bombs.

Register For Service

Technical Men Volunteer Services In Event Of War

Voluntary effort on the part of Canadian organizations is resulting in a national registration of professional and technical men whose services might be placed at the country's disposal in the emergency of war.

With the concurrence of the national defence department this "census" is at present being undertaken by the Engineering Institute of Canada, the Canadian Institute of Chemistry, the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and others.

The policy is in line with that being carried out in the United Kingdom where national registration of men and women offering themselves for voluntary service is in progress. Some time ago the Canadian Medical Association began to list among its members those who would make their services available.

Already the defence department possesses information relating to the character and capacity of various Canadian industries. More than 500 plants have been surveyed and all facts bearing on their production and processes have been filed. Departmental experts are studying how best those plants may be converted from peacetime to wartime work in case of necessity.

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New Patent Syrup Jug

Long realizing the need for a syrup jug that would make pouring syrup easier, the makers of Bee Hive Syrup now have one. This jug is retailing in Toronto stores at $1.30 for a 12-ounce size and $2.00 for a 40-ounce jug. The jug has the best features that something remarkably new has been developed. For Bee Hive Syrup users the jug can be secured at big savings. The 12-ounce size can be had for four five-pound Bee Hive Syrup labels, or the equivalent in number, and the large size for 10 five-pound labels or the equivalent in pounds and $1.60. The jug is absolutely unique in that it has a patent drip cut action that severs the syrup off without dripping or sticking. It is easily filled, and closes them in action instantly say —"that's what I want".

Readers should address their requests to the St. Lawrence Starch Co., Fort Credit, Ont.

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Speed Egg Production

Germany Tackling Egg Shortage On Scientific Basis

Germany, with an egg shortage problem, has tackled it scientifically and may solve it with hormones.

"Der Da Mann," weekly organ of the storm troopers, reported that Dr. Walter Koch, a professor in veterinary at Munich University, has found that by injections of hormones hens are encouraged to lay eggs even in winter at a rate as high as two a day.

The weekly figured Germany can have 56,000,000 more eggs annually if hormone injections are applied simply by giving the hormone injections.

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Identified The Bite

The police surgeon was examining a woman who had just been brought in the station with a wounded wrist.

"I don't understand this," he said. "It's too big for a dog's bite and it's too small for a horse's."

"That's all right," replied the patient cheerfully, "it was another lady."

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According to a Dutch doctor, you should eat sweets if you want to have bright eyes.

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Germany has prohibited the use of wheat and rye as fodder.

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The guy who used to blow his horn is now blowing his automobile's.

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Always A Hard Worker

Anthony Eden Thorough In Anything He May Undertake

About a decade ago Anthony Eden was referred to as that "flat terrible young man who wants peace so much." He had carried a Military Cross in finding out what war was like. As a rising diplomat he strove, against obstacles now fully realized, to promote the spirit of Locarno and to extend the pacifying influence of the League of Nations. He showed himself a worthy successor to the ability and dignity of his own country, but it was joined with a larger loyalty to European civilization. Befriending one's memory of his traits and record one recalls that he once wrote art criticisms for a Yorkshire paper, that his collection of French classics of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries is not to be despised, and that he was a special student of Oriental languages. But his adventures in art and erudition did not blunt the edge of his courage, as he proved on the chivalrous and address their requests to the St. Lawrence Starch Co., Fort Credit, Ont.

Propaganda Campaigns

Designed To Undermine Confidence In The R.C.M.P.

The task of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police of maintaining an attitude of patience and understanding toward the public is complicated by deliberate propaganda campaigns designed to undermine confidence in the force and to contaminate authority generally, Commissioner S. T. Wood says in the R.C.M.P.'s annual report tabled in the House of Commons by Justice Minister Ernest Lapointe.

"It has now became routine procedure for subversive elements, following any police action, to immediately accuse the police of unnecessary brutality, intoxication and similar offences and demand an investigation in the hope that they will have much to gain by such publicity at no cost," Col. Wood said.

"The public should analyze the attention very carefully before forming any opinion when such charges are made, and bear in mind the causes which have led to any clash between the police and any section of the populace."

Never had police executives and personnel been so aware of the need of training and exemplary behavior as at present. Maintenance of the proper attitude, however, was made not less difficult "by the numerous agencies, a certain section of the press, and some individuals who should know better, but who, by persistent campaign, open attack and by insidious propaganda, attempt to undermine public confidence in constituted authority, in police forces and in the state itself," he said.

Col. Wood outlined the activities of the R.C.M.P. in the year ended March 31, 1938, when it had a total strength of 2,598 of all ranks—25 more than the preceding year.

The commissioner criticized a "tendency to expect the force to be something other than the ordinary tourist attraction in the performance of non-essential duties which seriously interfered with the more important duties of crime detection and prevention.

A Good Policeman

Many Things Besides Fitness And Courage Go Into Making

A candidate for the police force cannot legally be given an extra credit rating because he has been to college or played football. This is the gist of a ruling made by Supreme Court Justice Charles B. McLaughlin of New York. It will probably be appealed. Meanwhile one asks, what does make a good policeman?

Courage and physical fitness may be taken for granted. Normal intelligence is necessary, and better than normal intelligence doesn't hurt. But what the police force in a policeman is probably related to attitudes and personalities. Women like handsome policemen—that is no curing them of that. Men like policemen who can take a joke. What we all want is a paragon such as one would think could surely be hired for less than ten times the amount of a policeman's salary; good natured but resolute; as diplomatic as ambassador Lindsay; as unflinching as a major general; kindly but not to be imposed upon; more conscious of his duties to the public than of the public's duties forward him; able at any moment to rescue a drowning man, untangle a traffic jam, accept a bribe, prescribe for a sick baby, get a kitten down out of a tree, stop a riot or safely escort the King and Queen of England.

Some English Humor

Random Jottings Taken From The London Humorist

Angered by a critic's remarks about his work, an artist pawned everything in his studio, Pop goes the weasel.

Golf is now being taught in some schools. We understand that this is in addition to French and the dead languages.

In the opinion of a specialist, cheerful people offer the best resistance to disease. In fact, it's the surly bird that catches the worm.

"I bought the dearest little hat in the world," writes a woman correspondent. We prefer that her husband has seen the bill for it, and be quite agrees.

The best way to store a fur coat is to keep it in a low temperature. A husband says he hopes to persuade his wife to keep her new winter sealskin on the seat in Alaska until business gets better.

Superstition Explained

Reason Friday The 13th Is Considered An Unlucky Day

Many theories have been advanced as to the origin of the superstition that Friday the 13th is unlucky, and the most generally accepted is that it is an association of two others, Friday, the day of the Crucifixion, has always been dangerous, particularly to seamen. In olden days no captain would venture forth from port on that day. Thirteen, of course, gains its reputation from the fact that 13 sat at the table of the Last Supper, and the first to rise, Judas, betrayed his Lord and then hanged himself.

Claude Samuel is Trinidad's tallest man. The native of Guiana, who stands seven feet, two inches in his socks, attracts considerable attention when he goes to Port of Spain.

No Contracts Necessary

Western Traders Say Chinese Honest If Treated Fairly

People sometimes speak of the "wily Oriental", by which they chiefly mean a Chinese, yet all residents of the Far East and those who have visited there say that the Chinese is the most honest man you can deal with. Western traders make word-of-mouth bargains and contracts with Chinese and the Chinese carry out their agreements without question. The Chinese only engage in business duplicity when others try to "do" them, then they can be everybody at that game. The same people speak of the Japanese, however, as shifty and untrustworthy, and a nation in which no reliance can be placed in their word.

A few years ago the Japanese named a district "Macclesfield", which is the name of a town in the county of Cheshire, near Manchester, and which has been famous for its silk manufacture since 1760. In order to cash-in on the reputation of Macclesfield silk the Japs named a place thus in order that silk made there could be stamped "Made in Macclesfield". They also named another area "Sweden", in order that they might stamp their matches "Made in Sweden."

The limit in commercial cheating seems to have been reached, however, in naming a town "Aberdeen," as reported at a meeting of Scottish whisky distillers the other day. The Japanese are making a brand of whisky labelled in Malay which bears the statement, "Made in Aberdeen."

Such business dishonesty is reprehensible and is a blot on Japanese business integrity—such as it may possess. It would save the Japs trouble if they would name a distant "Great Britain" and nominally registered all their head offices there. Possibly the Japanese in a "Toronto" or in Japan where automobile tires and other goods may be manufactured.

The Japanese have long prided on a story told by a Glasgow firm of shipbuilders a few years ago. They stated that a Japanese company asked them for plans and estimates of a certain type of freighter for which the Glasgow firm was famous. The request was complied with, after which the Japanese firm said they had changed their minds and would build the ship in Japan. A year or so later a freighter of that kind appeared on the sea—built by a Japanese firm. Some time thereafter the Glasgow builders received a request from Japan similar to the previous one. After complying with the request they never heard from the ship would not be wanted. In due course a freighter was launched from a Japanese yard and when it took to the water it keeled over and sank!

Apparently the second set of Glasgow plans was untrustworthy!—St. Thomas Times-Journal.

Declining Fur Values

Attributed To Social And Economic World Conditions

The Dominion fur farms committee appointed at the 19th annual convention of the Canadian National Fox Breeders' Association at Calgary attributed declining fox pelt values to increased production in Scandinavian countries and disturbed social and economic conditions generally.

A resolution approved urged the Dominion department of agriculture to have a staff of veterinarians and virus vaccine manufactured in Minnesota for prevention of fox distemper.

Manitoba director, said breeders of that province experienced difficulty in securing a permit to import the vaccine and that it must be brought into Canada of a new bacterial virus.

The Garden Of Eden

Fruit Again Grows When Water Flows On Arid Land

Women will again pick apples once more in the Garden of Eden when water flows into the arid country from a giant reservoir built by modern engineers.

The Kut Dam irrigation project, designed to bring under cultivation a great tract of land between the Tigris and Euphrates river, traditional site of the land from which Adam and Eve were expelled, was completed New Year's Eve.

A 1,500-foot dam across the Tigris with steel-water doors a 10-mile canal into the Shatt-el Gharraf river. In addition locks will permit vessels to voyage along the Tigris between Baghdad and Basrah.

Broadcast To Germans

British Union Of Railwaymen Keep Workers Informed

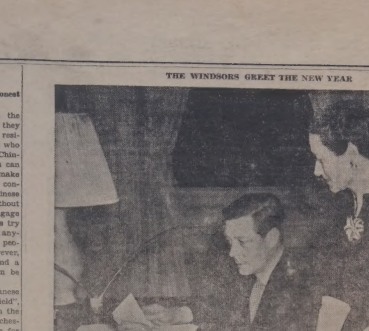
Using a radio station "on the continent" leaders of the British National Union of Railwaymen have been broadcasting to the workers of Germany; the Railway Review revealed.

John Marchbank, general secretary of the union, and J. Henderson, former president, have been broadcasts. The Review said this step was taken to give German workers a chance to get in touch with the European situation.

A new piece of farm machinery is an electric soil shredder. Pretty soon when you buy an up-to-date farm you'll get it sliced, like a loaf.

A bamboo tree grows so rapidly that its growth nearly can be seen through a microscope. 2291

THE WINDSORS GREET THE NEW YEAR



Sitting in his study at the Villa La Croe, Cannes, the Duke of Windsor reads his correspondence on New Year's Day while the Duchess looks on. This is one of the first photographs of the Duke and Duchess of Windsor at the Villa.

Army Cooking School

Nine Men Volunteer As Students In Culinary Art

Food, according to Webster, is nutritive material absorbed into the body of an organism for purposes of growth or repair, and for maintenance of vital processes.

That's the kind of food the Canadian Government wants for Canadian soldiers, and if the latest military plans function smoothly, that's the kind of food they'll get.

An army cooking school for members of the permanent force of Military District No. 3 with culinary inclinations has been installed at Niagara.

Nine men have volunteered so far to take the course under the supervision of Sergeant Hird, P.P.C.L.I., of Winnipeg. As a chef, Sergeant Hird is in a class by himself, and he will attempt to impart to his nine scholars the secrets of culinary distinction which have made him No. 1 cook of the Canadian permanent force.

The Government is apparently determined to remove the age-old criticism of army food, which was so sardonically expressed in the war-time song: "Oh! It's a Lovely War," one verse of which says there is nothing wrong with army food, but asks how the onions got in the tea.

Fireproof Gasoline

Bulgarian Flying Ace Inventor Of Fuel For Planes

A "frozen" plane gasoline that won't ignite under a blowtorch was demonstrated at Roosevelt field, New York, as a solution to one of flying's greatest fire hazards.

The inventor is Assen Jordanoff, 42, aeronautical engineer and Bulgarian Great War flying ace.

The gasoline, while not frozen solid, is treated by an alcohol and dry ice mechanism to about 150 degrees below zero Fahrenheit, where it does not give off enough vapor to catch fire.

It is still liquid enough to flow out of the tank into heating apparatus which prepares it for motor consumption.

"Why should any man have to go from filling station to filling station for debts?" demands a reformer. Why, indeed; he can pick them up easily enough by just staying at home.

Some East African natives churn milk into butter to use for hairdressing and not for eating purposes.

In Flanders Fields

Belgian Woman Wins Second Battle At Hill 60

Mrs. Ted Moon, Belgian wife of a former British soldier, won the second battle of Hill 60 in this blood-soaked territory where Canadian and British troops fought Germans during the war.

Mrs. Moon, when her home was struck by a shell, was dragged to safety by young Ted Moon, London. She and Moon subsequently married.

After the war enterprising Mrs. Moon launched a war style cafe at the bottom of Hill 60. A Belgian business rival opened a system of war-time trenches and tunnels. Tourists went to see the tunnels.

Then Mrs. Moon found more tunnels and trenches. She opened them and prosperity came back. The neighbor suggested Mrs. Moon's trenches were not genuine. Mrs. Moon brought an action, won and was awarded 500 francs ($15) damages.

Steam Power Unit

Inventor Says It Will Drive Aeroplanes Across Country On A Quart Of Water

Glenn W. Watson, whose radio typewriter is used on modern battleships throughout the world, claims he had invented a steam power unit that would drive airplanes across the country on a quart of water.

The device he terms a "cold coil" generator "results in instantaneous transformation of water into steam." By condensing the steam and using it over and over, he hopes to operate even airplane engines without a boiler.

He is keeping secret the electric unit that is the basis of the steam generator, he said. Watson, a native Detrotter, comes from a family of inventors.

Youngest Roadmaster

Robert A. Emerson, 27 years old, has been appointed Canadian Pacific roadmaster at Deloraine, Man. He is believed to be the youngest roadmaster on the C.P.R. Graduate of the University of Manitoba, Mr. Emerson later attended Yale where he specialized in transportation.

The fingerprint is a sure method of identification and files of the Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice, in Washington, contain more than 4,000,000 sets of them.

Farmers Like King George

Give Him Friendly Welcome At Smithfield Cattle Show

"Good old George!" shouted a weather-beaten farmer when the King visited the Smithfield Cattle Show recently. The King smiled. The crowd cheered. His little incident was typical of the genuinely warm and friendly welcome the King received from a gathering of farmers drawn from all parts of the country. They were obviously anxious to show their appreciation of his interest in farming. He is patron of the Smithfield Show and is the largest individual exhibitor this year. His exhibits have won many prizes. Received by Agriculture Minister W. S. Morrison and officials of the show, the King first of all walked along the aisle in the centre of the hall where the prize-winning cattle and sheep were paraded.

All Figured Out

Insurance Company Knows How Much You Eat On Christmas Day

Now that it's all over, according to Noel O'Hara, in New York Post, you may as well know that a leading life insurance company asserts that the average American eats the equivalent of five or six meals on Christmas Day, with the breakdown as follows: Breakfast, one meal; main course of Christmas dinner, one and a half meals; heavy dessert (plum pudding, pie, etc.), one meal; Christmas nuts, raisins and candy, one meal; supper, one meal. Then, the finding adds, the munching of candy and cookies between meals helps make Christmas the heaviest working day of the year for the American stomach.

May Be Explanation

It is believed that fish reached the Rocky Mountain region from the Pacific Ocean by swimming up the Columbia river, then up its tributary, Pacific Creek, the headstem of which mingle with Atlantic Creek, on Two-Ocean Pass, in Wyoming. Once over the pass the fish came down Atlantic Creek into Yellowstone river.

Crane flies can float through the air, aided by tiny balloons on each of their feet.

Magnifying glasses with the aid of the sun set a dress shop afire at Riverdale, South Africa.

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Harrison was proud of his golf, and had brought up his mother-in-law during to watch him play with a friend.

"I'm particularly anxious to make a terrific drive just now," Harrison told his friend. "There's my mother-in-law over there, and I—"

"Don't be a fool," said his friend. "You'll never hit her at 200 yards!"

The angel fish is equipped with long appendages which when it is at rest very delicate lower fin is in danger of striking hard objects.

A "fast" lens camera is one which can be used with a large opening, thus making it more efficient in poor light.

British health statistics show that men live longer than women. Of course men, but women have more operations than men.

The ocean contains enough salt to form a solid block measuring 4,800,000 cubic miles.

Babylonian students studied quadratic equations in 2000 B.C. thus algebra is nearly 4000 years old.

The temperature of the Carlsbad Caverns, N.M., remains at 56 degrees F. the year around.

Diamonds are the hardest of all minerals.

Annoyance To Editors

Communications Of Anonymous Talkers And Writers Are Passed Up

The telephone in the office rang the other day and we could not help hearing one end of the conversation. "Sun-Times." . . . "Who's speaking?" . . . "But it does make a difference." . . . "Tell me who you are and I'll talk to you." . . . "Well, that's rather a curious angle, but unless we know who's making it we can't tell whether there's anything to it or not." . . . "All right; if you won't tell me who you are that settles it." And the phone was hung up.

That is only one sample of many conversations over telephones in this and all other newspaper offices, says the Owen Sound Sun-Times. People who fancy they have a grievance and think a newspaper is a sort of clearing house for the airing of personal feuds and general advance—good-constructive—criticism will rush to the telephone and, without going through the formal courtesy of identifying themselves, proceed to pour their tales of woe into the sympathetic ear of the editor. And, when asked "Who is speaking?" reply that "It doesn't make any difference."

It does. Perhaps those anonymous callers do not know that a newspaper has to assume full responsibility for the truth of everything it publishes. It cannot afford to run the risk of being caught with a libel suit on its hands; and if it published all the things that come anonymously over the telephone or in letters signed with pen-names it would be to hot water all the time.

It surely is not for want of publicity that everyone does not know that all communications addressed to a newspaper must be signed by the person sending them, or otherwise identified—not for publication, but as a guarantee that we publish the name of a correspondent might cause trouble for him—but in order that we may satisfy ourselves that the information is reliable or just an outbreak from someone venting spite.

Even signed communications cannot always be published. They may be such that no good would result—but such harm might—from their publication.

So it does no harm to repeat, and keep on repeating, that communication to a newspaper must have responsible vouching—and then the editor must use his own judgment—and garden publication. It's a bit cowardly to shelter behind anonymity.

The Simple Precautions

Grandmother's Remedy For Breaking Up Cold Is Still Good

Much of the misery and danger from the influenza germs that circulate at this time of year wherever people are gathered together, could be eliminated if each individual would take some of the simple, old-fashioned but yet powerful precautions when a tightening of the throat, a headache or a chill is first felt.

Gargling—a handkerchief remedy was a phynic and a mustard plaster or a mustard bath. Time has not changed the efficacy of these simple remedies of the great Greek physician, Hippocrates, the father of medicine, called mustard "Nah-pou" meaning "of the sun" and the sun was a very significant remark. The mustard foot or tub bath, followed covered up of the sufferer at night, sleep to allow the pores which have been opened to close again, frequent drinks of hot lemonade, coffee and enable a person to say, "That's that."

Some dream of the day when there may be a law compelling people to take responsible precautions in the early stages of cold and flu, but that idea is probably impractical but everyone can be his or her own guardian and meet this danger as it comes by taking simple precautions.

Crown Jewels For Poland

Treasures Have Been Forfeited Under Polish-Soviet Agreement

Through default by the Soviet Union, Poland acquired Russian crown jewels worth about $7,000,000. According to the Polish-Soviet agreement signed at Riga, Latvia, in 1921, Russia had to pay Poland about 35,000,000 gold rubles for treasures taken out of Poland. The money was not available, so the Soviet deposited crown jewels worth about 15,000,000 rubles for 15 years which were to be forfeited if the money was not paid. The money has not been paid, so the jewels automatically became the property of Poland on Jan. 3.

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"I'm particularly anxious to make a terrific drive just now," Harrison told his friend. "There's my mother-in-law over there, and I—"

"Don't be a fool," said his friend. "You'll never hit her at 200 yards!"

The angel fish is equipped with long appendages which when it is at rest very delicate lower fin is in danger of striking hard objects.

A "fast" lens camera is one which can be used with a large opening, thus making it more efficient in poor light.

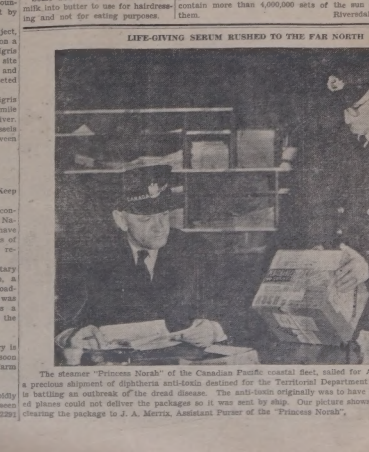
British health statistics show that men live longer than women. Of course men, but women have more operations than men.

The ocean contains enough salt to form a solid block measuring 4,800,000 cubic miles.

Babylonian students studied quadratic equations in 2000 B.C. thus algebra is nearly 4000 years old.

The temperature of the Carlsbad Caverns, N.M., remains at 56 degrees F. the year around.

Diamonds are the hardest of all minerals.



LIFE-GIVING SERUM RUSHED TO THE FAR NORTH

The steamer "Princess Norah" of the Canadian Pacific coastal fleet, sailed for Alaska from Vancouver with a precious shipment of diphtheria anti-toxin destined for the Territorial Department of Health at Juneau, which is battling an outbreak of the dread disease. The anti-toxin originally was to have been sent by air, but ground fog played havoc and it was sent by ship. Our picture shows Customs Officer H. S. Riley clearing the package to J. A. Merrix, Assistant Purser of the "Princess Norah".

WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

France kept pace with world's speeding armaments race by floating one 35,000-ton battleship and laying the keel for another.

Dr. Anton Korosheta, Roman Catholic priest and popular Slovene leader, was elected president of the Yugoslav senate.

A Royal Air Force Supermarine Spitfire, world's fastest military plane, made a record hop from Le Bourget, Paris, to Croydon Airport, covering the 205 miles in 41 minutes.

Through the Ontario Chinese Benevolent Association a manufacturing firm at Brantford, Ont., has supplied 5,000 blankets for Chinese in wartorn areas.

The battle cruiser Repulse, in dry dock at Portsmouth, Eng'and, for alterations in preparation for the royal visit to Canada, is now manned with a full crew.

Insiluta Preston, ornamental horticulture specialist at the central experimental farm, Ottawa, has been awarded the London Royal Horticulture Society gold medal.

Ships loading scrap metal for shipment to "aggressor nations" will be picketed by men and women in boats as well as marchers on shore, under new plans of Vancouver Embargo Council.

Domei, Japanese news agency, said Japan would like to make a deal with Great Britain and the United States on "open door" principles in China in return for trade and other concessions to strengthen Japan's international position.

Cold Affected Big Ben

Load Dong Of Famous Clock Reduced To Ting Ting

In December London's climate is probably at its worst. A pall of smoke and fog often overcast the sky, the air is raw and chill and city dwellers hug their glowing fireplaces. And yet, though London is farther north, in mean December temperature (38 degrees Fahrenheit) is higher than New York's (35 degrees) or Chicago's (29 degrees). That is because the comparative warmth of the Gulf Stream is blown over the isles by southerly and westerly winds.

However, the winds blew, as they occasionally do, from the cold steppes of Russia. A record cold and snow swept over the continent. Berlin and Paris shivered. Icy gales raged in the Baltic and North Seas. The mercury tumbled to 22 degrees in London. The unwonted cold froze miles of plumbing in the English capital, balled traffic and bewildered streets and baffled firemen who could not quench fires when water froze in hoses.

The inclemency even affected the mechanism of Big Ben, famous thirteen-and-a-half-ton bell in the lofty clock tower of the Houses of Parliament. Named after Sir Benjamin Hall, Commissioner of Public Works at the time the bell was hung in 1858, Big Ben is known not only to Britons but to listeners across the seas, who have heard its mellow chime over the radio, and to those who have heard from alarm clocks named after it. Instead of the usual ten tons, Big Ben DONG that through fog and sun had always marked the hours, Big Ben gave forth a tiny DING.

Will Visit New Zealand

Ten Canadian Women Delegates Going To Fan Pacific Conference

Ten Canadian women will join the Canadian delegation to the triennial conference of Pan Pacific Women's Association in New Zealand next January, Miss Mary L. Bollert, International president, said in Vancouver recently. Miss Bollert told members of the Vancouver branch of the Canadian Authors' Association in Australia and the United States have enrolled full delegations already. The Canadian delegation totals 30, Miss Bollert did not name the 10 Canadians going to New Zealand.

A New Delicacy

The News of the World says an unusual delicacy has been served at one of the banquets London hotels. Lady Bettie Walker, the daughter of Lord Denbigh, who runs an hotel at Nyeri, Kenya Colony, has dispatched by air elephants' feet in large number. These, when cooked and properly treated, are keenly relished in Kenya. It remains to be seen whether London's restaurant patrons will have the same taste.

Barber—Do you want anything on your face when I've finished, sir?

Customer—Well, I hope you'll leave my nose.

You've heard of contented cows, but a New York restaurant advertises that it serves you "pampered chickens."

If the heavens are scanned with the largest modern telescope, 100,000,000 stars may be seen, according to estimates.

His feet on the table and his paper neatly laid before him on a piece of plate glass was the favorite writing pose of Eugene Field.

Coral, which looks like a plant, but which really belongs to the family of animals known as polyps, was believed to be an insect for centuries, causing no overflow. 2291

Wheat Problem

Best Brains Needed For Determining The Wisest Policies

Premier John Bracken of Manitoba stated "international co-operation must be achieved" as a fundamental basis to a solution of the world's wheat problems.

In addressing several hundred persons at the Calgary board of trade luncheon, Mr. Bracken urged marshalling of the best brains in western Canada for determining the wisest policies and then with a "united voice" deal with Canadian wheat difficulties.

"At the Winnipeg marketing conference, held in December, I was given responsibility of naming a continuing committee to study the different phases of this problem," said Mr. Bracken. During his visit to Calgary and other cities in Canada Mr. Bracken said he was consulting farmers' groups and business men with a view to name the committee this week."

The speaker said the three objectives that he had in mind were:

"Recovery of lost markets; assistance from the state, and in event of failure of the first and refusal of the second, the readjustment of agricultural and economic life of the nation to meet new conditions."

"It seems a sad commentary on international trade relations that wheat in western Canada must be sold for 60 cents a bushel while the price being paid in England, France, Germany and Italy range from $1.30 and $2.50 a bushel for the wheat of their own production," he said.

Earl Of Lindsay

United States Resident To Assume New Responsibilities

A quiet, slim man who came to Massachusetts from his native Scotland 39 years ago, was undecided what course he would follow now that he is the Earl of Lindsay.

Archibald Lionel Bethune Lindsay, who lives in a small unpretentious cottage in Manchester and is a retired insurance agent, became the 18th Earl of Lindsay upon the death of his elder brother.

"My home, my friends are here," said Lindsay.

The 69-year-old heir to the earldom and ancient Kilconquhar castle indicated that he probably would go to Scotland to assume the responsibilities of the position so as to protect the interests of his son, Captain William Tucker Lindsay of the Scots Guards.

The new earl's wife was formerly Miss Ethel Tucker of Brookline, an American. They were married in 1900 and divorced seven years later. She remarried Lindsay in 1921.

More Advertising

Plans Are Made To Spend More On Advertising In 1939

Forty-two per cent. of Canada's national advertisers believe business conditions for 1939 will be promising to warrant present plans to spend more money on advertising during 1939. Thirty-eight per cent. is neither more nor less, according to replies received by "Marketing", Toronto weekly newspaper for advertisers and sales executives, in reply to a questionnaire recently mailed to advertising representing all Canadian industries to state if they proposed to spend more, less or about the "same" on advertising during the coming 12 months, compared with last year. Only 20 per cent. of the national advertisers spend more on advertising in 1939, but only three per cent. will spend less. The percentage of those now planning to spend the same is 39, and 16 per cent. have not yet determined their plans.

Would Rule The World

Says Jap Military Leaders Are Seeking Ultimate Domination

Dr. V. K. Wellington Koo, Chinese ambassador to Britain, told the League of Nations Council at Geneva that "the aim of the presently all-powerful Japanese military leaders is nothing short of ultimate domination of the world."

The situation in the Far East, the Chinese ambassador told the council, is more grave than ever and an embargo on military airplanes and gasoline "is the only effective way in which other powers "may halt Japanese ruthlessness in China."

Dental Care For Cattle

Just As Necessary As It Is For Human Beings

Dairy cattle need dental care as much as human, Dr. S. N. Wood, of the Department of Animal Husbandry of the University of British Columbia, said at Ladner. He told farmers of Fraser River town attention to the teeth of their dairy cows would often reveal the source of trouble of ailing cattle. Dental care of domestic animals is the coming a major branch of veterinary practice, Dr. Wood said.

Valuable Glove Collection

The Metropolitan museum of New York has a small but precious collection of gloves rating back as far as the Elizabethan period in England. Made of soft leather, they are elaborately embroidered with designs, heraldic emblems and miniature pictures.

As the ice in a glass melts, it displaces its own weight of water, and the water is always equal to the volume of water of that weight, thus causing no overflow. 2291

The Indian Method

How To Escape Safely If Ice Breaks Under You

At this time of year when people are apt to break through ice into deep water, an Indian gives advice on how to avoid drowning by crawling back to safety. A Northern Ontario Indian guide gave the advice last summer recently on the drowning of a hunter after he had broken through the ice.

Any lad in the Sudbury Star the guide says the proper way to get out of the water is to swim on the back and gradually bring the head and shoulders out by sliding them up on the ice. The incorrect way, he says, is to try to lift oneself onto the ice by getting hold of the edges of the hole. By swimming on the back and gradually slithering onto the ice, there is less chance of breaking the surface and slipping back into the water because of the better distribution of weight.

He tells the story thus:

"White man don't know how to get out of ice. Indian he know how. Indian he swim on back with fingers, feet go up under ice, and break it off . . . pretty soon he drown. Indian he swim on back . . . his feet go up and he get head on ice . . . then get shoulders on ice.

"If ice breaks, Indian do it again and crawl up back slow like snake . . . pretty soon he get on big ice . . . run get warm . . . make fire . . . soon all hunky dory."

BOLERO-CHARM FOR JUNIORS!
By Anne Adams

Wear a bolero, if you'd be known as the best-dressed in your class! That's one fashion-wise judge for recommends, and all smart "six-to-sixteeners" will agree. The older of the girls will especially like Anne Adams' design—because they can make it themselves, by following through on every simple direction in the Sewing Instructor Chart of Pattern 4853! Look there's choice of two flattering necklines in this pretty frock. And how pleasing the "girdle" section and flared skirt are! As for the fabric, whether matching or contrasting, long or short-sleeved, it's the coming touch. Select with other frocks, too!

Pattern 4853 is available in girls' and junior sizes 6, 8, 10, 12, 14 and 16. Size 10 entire requires: 3 yards 2 yds 39 inch fabric for dress and ½ yards 39 inch fabric for bolero, or short sleeve bolero ⅝ yard 39 inch fabric.

Send twenty cents (20c) in coins (stamps cannot be accepted) for this Anne Adams Pattern. Write plainly Size, Name, Address and Style Number and send to the Anne Adams Pattern Dept., Winnipeg Newspaper Union, 175 McDermot Ave. E., Winnipeg.

Gave Up Rare Coin

But English Boy Has Been Rewarded By Egypt's King

When King Farouk of Egypt visited London a short time before his marriage he wanted one of Britain's new coins for his many bits. They were rare then and Farouk is a coin collector. The only available threepenny bit was owned by Alistair Dyer, 12-year-old son of a Scotland Yard sergeant, who guarded the King. Alistair gave it to His Majesty. Now he has received a cablegram from Farouk containing a complete set of Egypt's coinage.

Found Patrons Honest

It's an honest world, after all, a suburban theatre manager near Philadelphia had decided. He acknowledged that admission for an evening show would be payable on the way out only by those who thought it was worth the money. Less than half a dozen failed to pay, he said.

Young birds learn early to heed their mother's warning. While still in the egg, they cease chirping at any sound of alarm from their mother.

A "fixed focus" camera is one having a lens focused for the best average distance, or 25 feet.

The United Kingdom consumes six times as much tea as it does coffee.

EIGHTY-YEAR-OLD BISHOP STILL PLAYS HOCKEY

Dr. A. Winnington-Ingram, 80-year-old Bishop of London, right, bullying off in a field hockey match between the Marlburians and Hadley College at Fulham Palace, the Bishop's residence. Despite his advanced age, the popular Bishop still retains his athletic prowess.

Air Education

Suggestion That U.S. Build Up A Civil Air Guard

Suggestion that the United States establish something similar to Great Britain's "civil air guard" as a buttress to national defence and to catch up with Europe's dictator states in the air was made before a national aviation conference.

Private fliers, constituting an air reserve force, said Mrs. Patterson of Oklahoma City, a delegate to the annual convention of the National Aeronautic Association, can be made the backbone of an expanded air defence proposed by the United States government.

"If America is to make up for lost time and bring its air power to a par with the dictator countries—and particularly with Germany's," said William Enyart of Washington, D.C., association secretary, "we must devise some scheme for air education."

To the government's proposal to train 20,000 college students yearly to fly, Enyart added a plan, modeled roughly after Germany's, of offering air education courses in the public schools to youngsters between the ages of 10 and 18.

Employ Veterans

Will Be Used As Canvassers For Radio Licences

Employment of war veterans, where available, as canvassers for radio licenses will be made mandatory as from April 1. This was made public at Ottawa in a communication from the transport department.

One of the recommendations of the Rattray Commission, which probed the unemployment problems of war veterans, was that this collection work be reserved for ex-service men. Under present arrangements radio dealers, post offices, banks and by 150 supervisors of a larger number of house-to-house canvassers.

Under the new arrangement the canvassers will continue to be issued by the agencies noted but it will be compulsory that war veterans be named supervisors and canvassers wherever they are available.

Sound Reasoning

"So your name is Georges Washington?" the old lady asked the small colored boy.

"Yessum."

"And you try to be exactly like him, or as nearly as possible?"

"Lak who?"

"Why, like George Washington."

"Ah kain' he'p bein' lak Jawg Washington, 'cause dat's who ah is."

China is selling 80 per cent. of its duck feathers to Germany.

The coconut is the most valuable and most used nut in the world.

"Has anyone called for me?"

"Yes, a lady came, but she didn't give her name."

"Was she young and pretty?"

"Oh, no; she was more like you."—Allers, Sweden.

Penalty Not Too Heavy

Only Dollar Taken In Robbery But Man Carried Revolver

Seven years in Kingston penitentiary for stealing a dollar may seem a heavy penalty, yet it should not be forgotten that the man in the case, sent down for robbing a Toronto drug store, when arrested, had in his possession a loaded revolver. The fact that the loot in this case amounted only to a dollar is irrelevant, says the Niagara Falls Review. There is every expectation that a thug with a loaded gun will shoot to kill in the event of opposition. It would have been the same in this case if it had been a thousand dollars. The danger to the victim would have been just as great. There must be drastic punishment in all cases where thieves are arrested having loaded guns in their possession. The carrying of guns in Canada must be made as unpopular among the criminals as it is in Great Britain.

Huge Air Raid Shelter

Plan A Subterranean Cave To Hold 77,000 Persons

The London borough of Holborn has laid plans for what is believed to be the largest single air-raid shelter in the world, a great subterranean cave to hold 77,000 persons.

The borough council has approved in principle construction of the giant shelter beneath Lincoln's Inn Fields. It would be used as a parking ground in peace time.

Roof of the structure would be five feet thick, made of concrete and reinforced felt. Its equipment would include an air conditioner capable of filtering 11,000,000 cubic feet of air an hour, electric generating plant and four pumps to prevent possible flooding from burst water mains.

The council estimated it would take three years to build.

Something Quite New

Football Player Crowned Queen Of Michigan University Ice Carnival

Jack Brennan, a lantern-jawed Varsity football player and wrestler, was crowned "Queen of Snow" at University of Michigan Ice Carnival. The new queen is six feet tall, weighs more than 200 pounds and plays a tough game as guard. In a contrast between the sexes long have been strained at the university in Ann Arbor, and Brennan's fellow gridmen voted for him because he authored a cutting remark two years ago: "Four out of five women are beautiful, and the fifth comes to Michigan."

Red grouse is the only species of bird confined solely to the British Isles.

The curvature of the earth amounts to seven inches per mile.

Soil Drifting Under Control

Solution Of Soil And Farm Problems On The Prairies

Soil drifting has been brought under control in western Canada drought areas, George Spence, director of Prairie Farm Rehabilitation, told the Canadian Club at Ottawa.

"In many parts of the area soil drifting has been greatly exaggerated," he said. "It can and has been effectively stopped with the help of many voluntary organizations working with the government agencies and I can say there is no dust bowl in the west."

When the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Act was passed by parliament in 1935 it was the first step toward a solution of soil and farm problems in the prairie provinces, Mr. Spence said.

In 1937 the act was amended to include land utilization and land settlement and now the P.F.R.A. had three main activities—farming of woodlands, land utilization and water conservation.

"The land utilization work is attempting to correct errors made 30 years ago in settlement when no account was taken of soil," he continued.

Speaking of the community pastures scattered through the low-rainfall area, Mr. Spence said it is hoped to make breeding centres at every community pasture to improve the grade of western cattle.

The speaker warned that "if adequate sums are not furnished for the work of P.F.R.A. increased sums will be necessary for relief."

City vs. Country

Many Of Our Leading Men Started Their Career On A Farm

A Boston psychiatrist at least hits the edge of the target when he says that city life fosters "a faculty for instantaneous agility of body and commercial enterprise and tolerance." He also states that it promotes a tendency to neurosis and hectic instability.

It is quite true that the hustle and bustle of urban life and the competition one encounters in the course of business activity do put a strain on the nervous system and keep one on his toes.

But when this psychiatrist contends that rural areas "foster stupidity," but it is the opinion of that other, nitrous oxide and chloroform are together more important than all the drugs combined. An anaesthetist could manage better if confined to these agents than he could if deprived of them. Ether and allowed the choice of all others.

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Health League of Canada presents TOPICS of VITAL INTEREST

by DR. J. W. S. McCULLOUGH

ANAESTHETICS

There is a striking similarity between the accounts of the discovery of vaccination, the circulation of the blood and of anaesthesia. All three were at first received with incredulity, a brief period of awe and then rapid acceptance. The respective discoverers, Jenner, Harvey and Morton suffered financially and the two latter experienced much personal distress. In their own day none had the credit they deserved. The United States and Great Britain together initiated the use of anaesthetics but the recent advances in this field are divided between Canada, the United States and Germany.

The discovery and use of anaesthetics took place with almost explosive rapidity. In 1844 Wells produced surgical anaesthesia with nitrous oxide; in 1846 Morton, a dentist of Boston, did the same with ether, and in 1847, Sir James Y. Simpson of Edinburgh introduced chloroform. By the end of September 1847, chloroform and ether were in widespread use and both nitrous oxide and ethyl chloride were known to be possible anaesthetics. Throughout the year 1847 the Lancet (London) maintained a special column describing the operations agility of surgeons.

The afore-mentioned names are generally credited with the discovery but the greatest boons to humanity.

Crawford W. Long, a rural doctor of Georgia who in 1842, had used ether in operation, had bad luck. He failed to publish his results until 1852 and thus missed the opportunity of fame.

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A Matter Of Choice

Good Taste Only Dress Regulation For Royal Visit

"Good taste" is the only "dress regulation" that will be issued for those civic and other dignitaries who will meet the King and Queen in their tour of Canada. It is officially stated at Ottawa where in spite of attempt to force into morning clothes those who are at home only in lounge dress. At formal evening functions which will mark the various formal evening attire will be designated but, even there, it will not be compulsory.

Appreciate Canadian Seed

The most successful growers of potatoes in many other countries outside Canada show their appreciation of the value of good seed by paying the additional freight and handling charges to secure Canadian certified seed potatoes, in spite of plentiful local supplies.

New Reich Move Is Seen As Eclipse Of German Moderates

London.—The abrupt dismissal of Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, one of Germany's leading financiers, inspired wide belief in London that the move foreshadowed a new German "surprise" for Europe.

Financial and political observers believe that the dismissal marked the eclipse of the so-called German "moderate" party and expressed the fear that the extremist party which now completely dominates the reich will plunge the Germans and Europe into new perils.

Nazi authorities informed George S. Rubiee, American director of the inter-governmental refugee committee, that his negotiations in Berlin for emigration of 500,000 German Jews were "discontinued." Astonished, Rubiee and his associates planned to remain until they had confirmed this news.

Hitler, in a special message of congratulation to Funk on his promotion, mandated him to "ratify completely, and to bring under complete government control, the machinery of the Reichsbank."

Washington.—A high commerce department official said Germany's appointment of Walther Funk as reichsbank president is a slap at the United States.

Funk is noted for his animosity toward the United States and Dr. Schacht for his friendliness to America.

However, department experts said the change had no real bearing on German-American trade, both because Schacht has been only a figurehead for a long time and because Germany already has been doing everything it could to curtail trade with United States.

Strike For Freedom

Predicts Further Bombing Outrages In Ireland

London. — Thousands of posters urging a "strike for freedom" were posted overnight in Northern Ireland as Sir Wilson Hungerford, the Ulster Unionist secretary, arrived in London to arrange for a visit by the Duke and Duchess of Kent to Ireland next March.

On his arrival in the British metropol's, Hungerford predicted further bombing outrages in Eire with the statement:

"There are a lot more bombs in Ulster . . . and I would not be surprised if some of them were used."

In some circles it was believed the Irish secretary might defer arrangement for the Kents' visit to Ireland until the bombings are cleared up by police.

Meanwhile, Scotland Yard officials continued their drive against the leaders of the Irish terror. Hundreds of suspects were searched. Police in many metropolitan cities that usually went unarmed carried revolvers on their hips, ready for instant action.

Police efforts to track down the senders of the warnings that plots were under way to bomb Croydon airdrome and other places of vital importance to London's defense in the life and commerce were still unfruitful.

Farm Debt Problem

U.F.A. Asks For Survey With View To Settling Problem

Calgary.—A survey of farm debt and enactment of legislation backed by the powers of both the Dominion and Province with a view to settlement of debt questions were proposed in resolutions adopted at the concluding session of the United Farmers of Alberta annual convention here.

The resolution declared neither the federal nor provincial governments had complete constitutional power to deal with the whole problem of debt adjustment and interest rates, and proposed the one act incorporating powers of the Provincial Debt Adjustment Act and the Federal Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act.

More flexibility in regulations in the Dominion farm loan administration were proposed along with a request for lowering interest rates so as to make the farm loan board an active factor in debt adjustment. Opposition to any increase over the five per cent. interest rate in settlement of debts under the F.C.A.A. was registered.

China Is Hopeful

Washington. — Nelson Johnson, United States ambassador to China, returned to Washington to report to President Roosevelt on the war in the Orient. He said on landing in New York the Chinese were "very hopeful on an eventual victory" over Japan.

N. B. Legislature

Fredericton.—Premier Dysart announced the fourth session of New Brunswick's 26th legislature would open Thursday, Feb. 16. A fifth session is due to be held in 1940 and with $3,067,817 in the corresponding period of 1938.

Plea For Refugees

Coldwell Deplores Spread Of Anti-Semitic Propaganda

Ottawa.—A plea for the admission of a reasonable number of persecuted European refugees to Canada and a protest against the dissemination of Nazi-inspired anti-semitic propaganda in this country were voiced in the House of Commons by M. J. Coldwell (C.C.F., Rosetown-Biggar), speaking in the debate on the speech from the throne.

Many people talked about stopping Communistic propaganda, he said, but no one gave attention to Nazi propaganda which was spreading seeds of discord among Canadians. Canada was receiving "picked and chromium to Germany on most-favored nation terms while the victims of Nazi terror were denied admission to this country.

"To-day," he said, "the victims of Fascism and Nazi terror cry aloud to all civilized people for consideration and for aid, and I am wondering what Canada's response is going to be to that appeal. Certain papers printed in Canada and pro-Nazi literature printed in Germany and widely circulated in Canada are trying to poison us with anti-semitic propaganda."

Canada could not open its doors to all who sought admission in the present state of unemployment and agricultural depression.

"We are told," he said, "that the prime minister take the house into his confidence and say whether this country is ready—and as long in flux, unregulated, of the victims, because there are 1,500,000 of them—but that the country, in common with other democratic peoples, will take our fair quota of those who are suffering from terror in central Europe."

Would Tax Wheat

Resolution Urging Tax On Wheat Processed For Export Is Adopted

Calgary.—A tax on wheat processed for home consumption to offset the premium paid due to the pegged price of wheat was urged in a resolution passed by the annual convention of the United Farmers of Alberta here.

Dealing with several resolutions, the convention also re-elected Robert Gardiner, M.P., president, and also Norman F. Priestley, of Calgary, vice-president for their ninth consecutive terms.

Declaring millers made undue profits, the resolution urging the tax on wheat processed for home consumption also urged a pegged price for bread for protection of consumers. The pegged wheat price is established annually by the Board of Grain Commissioners, Canadian wheat board for No. 1 northern wheat at Fort William.

Delegates unanimously adopted a resolution condemning the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation for its contribution "towards cementing more firmly by the bonds of mystery, greed and understanding which exists between the people of the United States and Canada."

Farmers Back Chamberlain

Recent Attack On Prime Minister By Sussex Delegate

London.—A reference to Prime Minister Chamberlain as a marionette, with the dictators pulling the strings, was greeted by hoots and shouts at the annual meeting of the National Union of Farmers.

The attack on Mr. Chamberlain was made by Delegate Sir Merrik, of Sussex. Delegates shouted "No! no! Sit down!"

The chairman asked for courtesy toward the prime minister.

Manitoba Scholarships

Winnipeg.—Sidney Smith, president of the University of Manitoba, announced two scholarships for $100 each have been donated by the United Grain Growers, Limited, in recognition of outstanding work accomplished at Manitoba agricultural and home-making youth training schools.

Praise For Roosevelt

Moscow.—*La Journal de Moscu*, a French language publication which frequently speaks the mind of the Soviet Russian foreign office, today lauded President Roosevelt "the only statesman in the bourgeois world" aware of Fascism's threat and courageous enough to express himself.

C.N.R. Revenue Increases

Montreal.—Earnings of $47,386 was reported by Canadian National Railways in gross revenues of $1,123,000 for the week ended January 15, 1939, as compared with $1,067,617 in the corresponding period of 1938.

To Visit West

Governor-General And Lady Tweedsmuir Will Leave Early In March

Ottawa. — Governor-General and Lady Tweedsmuir will leave early in March for a month-long trip in Western Canada while Rideau Hall is made ready for the King and Queen who arrive here May 17. Their itinerary has not yet been planned.

New furnishings will be added to Their Excellencies official residence which will be the home of the royal visitors while they are in Ottawa. Lord and Lady Tweedsmuir remain at Rideau Hall during the four-day royal visit.

Alterations in furnishings also will be made at the Citadel, summer residence of the governor-general in Quebec, which will be Their Majesties headquarters there.

SENATE DEBATE OVER CANADA'S DEFENCE PLANS

Ottawa.—Canada's defence expenditure is exclusively for defence and neither involves nor implies the question of despatching military expeditions overseas, Hon. Raoul Dandurand, government leader in the senate, told the upper house.

He was speaking in the debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne, motion for approval of which was adopted late:r. The senate then took a long holiday, adjourning until Feb. 14.

The government leader prefaced his remarks on defence with a survey of the international situation. When Austria invaded Austria the question had been asked what compensation Mussolini would receive for the permission he had given Germany to reach the Brenner pass.

Il Duce had had his eye on Tunisia and a French newspaper had said Hitler paid Italy with a blank cheque drawn on France. Mussolini's predecessor to cash that cheque, something he would probably find more difficult than it was for Germany to invade Sudetenland.

To frighten Great Britain during the period Italy was campaigning for Tunisia, Germany had sought parity in the matter of submarines but as Mussolini had announced mobilization during the September crisis.

"To those who know the game being played by Rome and Berlin, it was evident," said Senator Dandurand, "that these were threats to Great Britain or France. The question is what will the morrow bring?"

The third partner of the axis, Japan, had recently been defied even toward United States. Would Hitler and Mussolini decide upon a similar course before Great Britain had re-armed fully and risk their all during the present year?

The government leader denied the charge of hypocrisy levelled against the government by Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen, Conservative leader, referring to the statement that in her own defence Canada must co-operate with the mother country.

Canada was organizing its defences against any emergency, Mr. Dandurand said. What circumstances would have to be faced were not known; but the government did know that Canada would have to be protected against attacks which would come from either the Atlantic or the Pacific.

Senator Meighen had not indicated what should be the measure of co-operation, or who would dictate the policy that could lead to war?

"Does he expect that Canada will agree to dance to the tune of any British government, be it Tory, Liberal, Labor or Socialist; that Canada, whether it approves or not, will

PRIME MINISTER KING

Who defended Canada-U.S. Trade Treaty in debate on address in reply to speech from the throne.

have to say yes?" asked Senator Dandurand.

Two possible contingencies prompted Canada to strengthen her defences. First was defence of her neutrality, for the United States were involved; second, to resist attack resulting from an embargo which Canada might decree with respect to a state which was an aggressor against the commonwealth. President Roosevelt had said as much for the United States.

In 1925 Mr. Meighen had suggested a safeguard, "for fear parliament did not represent public opinion," Mr. Dandurand went on. At Hamilton he had suggested that if war came again, not only should parliament be called, but the governments decision should be submitted to the people before troops should leave the country.

Co-operation of Canada with Great Britain in defence measures was urged vigorously on the government by Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen, Conservative leader in the senate.

Scouting the suggestion of Senator Dandurand, unfettered government, that such co-operation might entail difficulties arising out of the frequency with which the policies of succeeding British governments are changed, Senator Meighen said the repeated changes of France's administration had not interfered with the co-operation between the United Kingdom and France in the matter of defence.

Air Mail Service

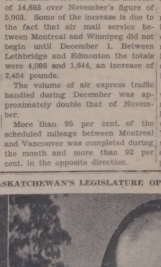
Big Increase In Mail Carried By Trans-Canada Air Lines

Montreal.—Nearly three times as much mail was carried by Trans-Canada Air Lines between Montreal and Vancouver and Lethbridge and Edmonton in December as in the previous month, according to the monthly report submitted to the department of transport by Philip G. Johnson, vice-president of T.C.A. The total for December was 25,096 pounds, as against 6,647 in November, an increase of 17,347 pounds. On the trans-continental trips, 19,806 pounds of air mail were carried, an increase of 14,803 over November's figure of 5,003. Some of the increase is due to the fact that air mail service between Montreal and Winnipeg did not begin until December 1. Between Lethbridge and Edmonton the totals were 4,088 and 1,644, an increase of 2,454 pounds.

The volume of air express traffic handled during December was approximately double that of November.

More than 95 per cent. of the scheduled mileage between Montreal and Vancouver was completed during the month and more than 85 per cent. in the opposite direction.

SASKATCHEWAN'S LEGISLATURE OPENS



The first session of the ninth Saskatchewan Legislature convened on January 19th. Many important matters will be discussed in the House, particularly the recent statement from London by the International Wheat Agreement Committee that Canada must reduce her wheat acreage. A feature is a general view of the stately Parliament Buildings at Regina. Inset, oval, is His Honour A. P. McNab, Lieut.-Governor of Saskatchewan, and his top and bottom: Premier Patterson and G. H. Williams, leader of the C.C.F. Opposition.

Ship Buffets Storm

Hysteria Among Passengers On Italian Liner Is Reported

New York.—Stories of hysteria and near panic among 360 passengers on the Italian liner Vulcania, struck by a furious storm which silenced its radio off the Azores, were told when the ship reached port.

J. M. McClelland, publisher of the Longview, Wash., Daily News, said at least six passengers were injured and scores were bruised as the vessel wallowed in mountainous seas.

"The waves crashed over the top of the ship, breaking windows on the top deck," he said. "The wind reached a velocity of 120 miles an hour. We never expected to live through it. There was general hysteria. Women fainted and screamed. Everybody was praying."

"Ninety per cent. of the passengers were sick," he said. "Some of the stewards tried to crawl along the floor to serve hot broth and food, but it was like climbing the face of a cliff going up and down."

To Preserve Waterfowl

Sanctuaries In Canada Especially For Them Are Urged

Ottawa.—Wild life sanctuaries especially for waterfowl were urged by Dr. Harrison F. Lewis chief Dominion government migratory bird officer for Ontario and Quebec, in addressing an interprovincial conference of game conservationists here.

J. A. Munro, Dominion migratory bird officer for British Columbia, described efforts being made to save the trumpeter swan, largest of Canadian waterfowl, from extinction. Conservation efforts, he believed, would be successful.

BRITAIN REFUSES TO MODIFY STAND ON SPANISH WAR

London.—Prime Minister Chamberlain refused to modify Britain's policy of non-intervention in the Spanish civil war and supply direct aid to the government forces.

In a letter replying to the request of Clement Attlee, leader of the opposition, that parliament be summoned to discuss aid for Spain, the prime minister declined to take any action.

Mr. Chamberlain said in the government's view Mr. Attlee's belief the time had come when the policy of non-intervention should be reversed and the embargo on supply of arms and ammunition to the Spanish government removed, would inevitably lead to an extension of the conflict.

"In consequences, the prime minister added, "cannot be accurately foreseen but . . . undoubtedly would be very grave."

Paris.—The French cabinet was authoritatively reported to have decided to place the fate of the chamber of deputies on a combined policy of non-intervention in the Spanish civil war and "vigilant defence" of French frontiers.

Informed political sources said the ministers, meeting with President Albert Lebrun, chose this course in the controversy raging over leftist demands for French aid to government Spain to prevent extension of war in an Italian-supported victory for the insurgents.

Foreign Minister Georges Bonnet was reported to have insisted on maintaining neutrality in Spain and keeping France's Pyrenees border closed to help for the government. This, he was said to have insisted, was necessary to hold Great Britain's support for France in other European problems.

Reported Franco May Fortify Border Of Spain And France

Program Will Be Continued

Government To Carry On Youth Training Three More Years

Ottawa. — Hon. Norman Rogers, minister of labor, announced the government will introduce legislation this session to provide for continuation of the youth training program for three more years.

The announcement was made before the Dominion-provincial youth training conference which opened a three-day meeting here.

The minister said it had been considered advisable to begin operations on a modest way and measure progress as it proceeded. Now, after two years, it had reached such a degree of successful operation in the various provinces it was felt provision for a longer period should be made.

The new trainees given training in the eight months ended Nov. 30, by provinces, were: Manitoba, 1,024 men, 959 women; Saskatchewan, 1,315 men, 974 women; Alberta 2,527 men, 4,411 women; British Columbia, 3,604 men, 3,604 women. Total for Canada, 9,890 men and 12,553 women.

Of the trainees enrolled this year, 961 men and 567 women were taken off relief rolls. The great majority were enrolled in courses not designed for employment, such as physical training, being benefited by about 10,313 women. Employment was found for 1,227 men and 1,042 women.

Build Bombing Planes

Work On Bombers For British Air Force To Start In Canada

Montreal. — Work on bombing planes for the British Air Force will start in Canada within a few weeks and continue through this year and next, Lewis C. Ord said on his arrival from England.

The air expert, who will take over as general manager of Canadian Associated Aircraft Limited, did not disclose the type of ship to be built here, but said the machine has been flown in England for about a year. An English factory employing 11,000 people began production shortly before Canadian output started, he said.

Saying air regulations prevented him from naming the type to be built in Canada, he added, "I can tell you this: It is a fighting machine and you remember the Vickers' record flight from Egypt to Australia recently? Well, I think those planes could do an even better job."

The new ships in all probability would fly from the west of the Atlantic when completed, he said.

Has No Informatio n

Government Can Give No News About Jewish Refugee Fund

Ottawa. — The Dominion government was without information on the fate of the Czecho-Slovakian national bank reported in a Prague dispatch in setting up a fund of approximately $2,335,000 to enable 5,000 Jewish refugees to come to Canada.

Hon. T. A. Crerar, minister of resources, under whose department immigration falls, said the despatch from Prague was the first word he had had of any such project and declined comment.

Indian Souvenir Trade

Calgary.—For the first time in history an effort is being made to revitalize the Indian souvenir trade. A shipment of half a ton of articles made entirely by Indians is to be made to the Easter exhibition at Sidney, Australia.

Awarded Midway Contract

Winnipeg.—Midway contract for class B circuit fairs was awarded Wallace Brothers' Greater Shows for the Circuit of Western Canada Association of Exhibitors in session here.

Sends Note To Japan

France Joins Block Against New Order In East Asia

Tokyo.—France, Great Britain and United States in refusing to recognize the "new order" proclaimed by Japan for East Asia.

A French note,' similar in substance to those sent to Japan by the United States and Great Britain December 14, respectively, arrived from Paris and was delivered to Foreign Minister Hachiro Arita.

The note pointedly commented said fortification of Guam by the United States would be an unfriendly gesture toward Japan. "We do not understand the necessity for the expansion of the United States navy," he said. "In the interests of a navy expert the establishment of submarine and aviation bases a great distance from the American mainland would mean only the establishment of bases for long distance attacks upon Japan."

Criticizes Radio Bca

Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett Considers Refusal Was A Mistake

Ottawa.—The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's refusal to allow Rt. Hon. Richard Bedford Bennett on the Toronto Globe and Mail, to buy time on its network for a series of five speeches was termed a "mistake" by Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett in a statement issued here.

The former Prime Minister Mackenzie King frankly admits and corrects the error "it will be regarded as a precedent that private and political powers which is not consistent with our ideas of democratic institutions and which they for has been regarded as a 'prerogative only of foreign dictators'," Mr. Bennett said.

The former Conservative leader, starting the end of his farewell tour of Canada before sailing for his new home in England, challenged legality of the CBC's decision not to allow the Toronto publisher to speak over its network.

Britain May Send Expeditionary Force In Event Of War

London.—The prospect of Great Britain being obliged to create and train a large expeditionary force to fight on the continent in the event of another European war is visualized by Captain Liddell Hart, one of the leading military critics in the United Kingdom.

Capt. Hart, for years an opponent of this theory, told the national education conference here he has been compelled to revise his opinions following collapse of collective security last September. It is all too obvious now, he said, against whom Britain has to defend herself. Europe's military situation revolved about the two axis of strategy and tactics.

On the tactical axis depends the question of what the offensive could do. The Ethiopian war and to a lesser extent the war in China have shown the particular vulnerability of well-armed units against the ill-armed. At the same time the offensive nowadays needs a three-to-one superiority and so much of men as of "power units".

The Franco-German frontier presented the central factor in the strategical axis. Until recently Germany, he said, had no chance of gaining her 3-to-1 superiority so long as the reality of collective security persisted among other European countries.

"In the September crisis collective security crumbled. The surrender of Czecho-Slovakia meant that an invaluable link between the threatened countries of east and west Europe was destroyed and that Germany is now free to concentrate all her power on the west."

Enforce Rigid Rules To Guard Canadian Cattle From Foot And Mouth Disease

Foot and mouth disease, a sword of Damocles hanging over the world's livestock industry, has never touched Canada, due to the eagle eye of the Dominion Department of Agriculture inspectors, who presented a rough picture of just what such an epidemic would mean.

If in some manner the foot and mouth disease virus, so small it cannot be seen by the most powerful microscope, managed to elude the border guards and infected Canadian farm animals, it would mean sudden catastrophe to agricultural and associated industries. Within a few hours even, practically all export outlets for Canadian cattle, sheep and swine, also meat and meat products might be shut down and a trade that has required years as an export trade be wholly lost, for it would take a long time to restore world confidence in Canadian livestock.

Creameries and dairy factories, packing plants and stockyards might have to close. Markets and exposition would be prohibited. At 20-mile cordon would be thrown about any infected farm and the animals on it would be slaughtered. Even cats and dogs, pigeons and poultry would have to be confined and examined.

Energetic steps have been taken to scourge the disease can be. In one European country a few years ago foot and mouth disease affected 100,000 farms in a few weeks and caused a loss estimated at $37,500,000.

Canada has a large investment in livestock, totalling $711,000,000 in 1937. There are 16,143,700 cattle, sheep and swine valued at $367,741,- 000 on Canadian farms. Dairy production in 1937 was worth $228,400,- 000, with slaughtering and meat packing products valued at more than $133,370,000.

The United States is so keenly alive to the foot and mouth disease danger that a special train, fully equipped to combat an outbreak, is kept waiting on a siding at Chicago in instant readiness to dash to any part of the country when the call comes. Last United States outbreak was in 1902, and there have been for in the last 66 years, each resulting in slaughter of thousands of animals.

Canada keeps a right lookout abroad as well as at her own borders. Any country suffering from the disease finds Canada doors resolutely locked against her animal products. Not even hides, wool, horns, hooves, bones, flesh or manures of animals from the infected country are allowed here.

Merchandise from the quarantined country that comes packed in straw must bear a certificate it has been fumigated. If it does not, the shipment is held up until the consignee agrees to fumigation. Importation of used or second hand bags from an infected country is absolutely prohibited, and bags from other countries must bear certification they are "home-made."

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Pilot Knew His Business

Frogs Splashing Near Ship Told Him When To Anchor

Fearing collision in a dense fog while moving into the Mississippi, the captain of a Japanese freighter asked Pilot Charles McCheney to anchor him safely.

"O.K., drop your anchor. She's safe now," the pilot said, after a little manoeuvring.

"How you know, how you know?" asked the worried captain, peering into the impenetrable mist.

"The frogs told me," said McCheney.

The ship's master launched into voluble explanations, whereupon McCheney explained the pilot of "making fool of captains."

But they stayed anchored, the fog lifted, and disclosed the ship tightly against the shore.

The frog business still rankled, so McCheney called the captain to the ship's siren, told him to listen carefully, then touched the cord lightly. While the screech was dying away dozens of splashes sounded from the nearby shore.

"Those frogs jumps jumping in after each toot, I know we're close enough to anchor," the old veterman explained, and the captain hastened into one of his best Oriental apologies.

Readily Identified

Marking On Nose Of Dog Is Considered Infallible

For the benefit of the experience of the Auckland police, two constables took an official record of the markings on a dog's nose. The dog was Caesar, an Alsatian, which recently has been making what in his profession is called a personal appearance. Caesar's nose was the subject of a motion picture in which he appears. The reason for the dog's appearance in the film was the necessity for the need to satisfy the customs authorities in Australia, for which he was to leave that day, that he was the same dog as the one which left there some time ago.

Accordingly, to fix Caesar, identification of dogs by noseprint is just as infallible as the identification of men and women by fingerprint. Thus, to the police in Australia authorities that he is indeed Caesar and not a substitute, the noseprint which was taken here in Auckland will enable it will be compared with one which was taken before he came to New Zealand.

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An interesting factor in the present German situation is that the new territory brought within the German economic orbit has not contributed to the German food problem but rather has added to it.

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Facts About Trees

Temperature Mounts And Fever Occurs When Disease Is Present

Experiments made at the St. Louis botanical garden show that a tree maintains a normal temperature of from 60 to 80 degrees even when surrounded by atmospheric temperatures are much higher or lower, and when a tree lacks moisture or has some definite disease, the temperature may rise or lower. And it is the fever reaches 86 degrees, the tree usually wilts and dies.

A Peculiar Lake

Lake Naivasha, in East Africa, is 17 miles long, 12 miles wide, and has no visible outlet, being surrounded by mountains. It never floods although there are two rivers which daily pour into it more water than is taken away by surface evaporation.

It takes 4½ hours to hardboil an ostrich egg.

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Threshing In Old Days

Was Vastly Different From Separator Used By Modern Farmer

A person entering the log barn of 1838, during the harvest period, would probably see the owner beating the hands of sheaves over a pole which was suspended about two feet above the floor. This was called "flushing" and was the first form of threshing known to Ontario. One pioneer boasted that he had been able to thresh as high as 66 sheaves in a day, in this manner, and usually obtained about one and a half bushels of wheat. Too bad he could not have lived to see the modern separator with a capacity of 400 bushels per hour. Rushing was succeeded by flailing. th sheaves being flayed on the barn floor and pounded with the beater which revolved in the hands of the operator. The grain, straw and "chaff" were disposed of by pouring them in the wind and the big homemade wooden forks and shovels were the principal winnowing devices. Of some ingenious settler designed the "wecht" fancestor of the bushel measure that was regarded as the last word in equity. They were made by attaching a piece of tanned sheepskin to a wooden rim.

The flail proper was scarcely more than a cylinder. In making these machines the farmer was obliged to co-operate with the local blacksmith. The latter made the metal parts of the outfit while the former constructed the wooden framework. Two feeders were required, one man to cut bands and the other to handle the sheave. Grain, chaff and straw were dropped in a pile behind the thresher and the man who invented the "winnowing-machine" (primitive fanning-mill) was a public benefactor all concerned. It was a real help in getting the grain clean enough for disposal.

Living Power Plants

Remarkable Demonstration Given By Officials Of New York Aquarium

Two electric eels from South America demonstrated their unusual powers by running an electric motor, lighting electric bulbs, making weird noises in the big aquarial tank and registering their voltage on an oscillograph before 1,600 members of the New York zoological society assembled in the grand ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria hotel.

The demonstration of these living power plants was conducted by Christopher W. Coates, aquarist of the New York aquarium, and Dr. Michael T. Cox, professor of physics at New York University. The experiments constituted visual results of research years ago, based on then curious creatures, which are able to discharge as much as 500 volts in one to ten-thousandth of a second.

Any hope for commercial use of eel power were blasted by Dr. Cox when he announced that the eel is not an economical source of power.

"The eel can only deliver the energy it receives from food and it is carnivorous," he said. "Coal is a more economical, as well as a more humane, source of energy than meat."

Danish Honey For Britain

London Firm Distributing Product From Heaths Of Jutland

Danish butter, eggs, and cheese displayed in grocers' shops are a common sight in Britain.

Now the enterprising Danes have added honey to their list of exports. July 1st, 1937 to November 40,000 pounds of heather honey from the heaths of Jutland had been shipped to a London firm for distribution.

Honey collecting centres have been established in Denmark, and the liquid money is compressed into comb packs before being shipped to England.

If Properly Directed

Advertising Great Help To Business If Not Used As Sugar Sales

"The great mistake of most business men is to blame advertising for an advertising man's failure," declares one authority. "Advertising properly directed will pay. Yet if a first or even a second or third campaign fails advertising is blamed. If sales are bad otherwise, however, selling is never blamed . . . a new sales manager is hired, new distribution is set up, new selling policies inaugurated . . . and selling goes right on. So it should be with advertising."

The Way It Works

A writer on the financial page of the Toronto Telegram points to Corrigan who committed a nervy hoax, and who for $25,000 per month or better by public exploitation, while a Canadian V.C. can't get $10 a week for washing dishes. Truly in some ways, says the St. Catharines Standard, the public is goofy.

Voting methods among the ancients included showing hands, striking weapons upon shields, and taking positions to the right or left of a line.

The Venus flytrap will go to sleep under the influence of chloroform, and an overdose will kill the plant.

SHE WAS 101 ON FRIDAY, THE 13TH!

Although she was 101 on Friday, the 13th of January, Countess Virgine Delaune of Newark, N.J., didn't avoid black cats and the like. Besides, she is the 13th child of the late Count Delaune, who preceded her as a soloist at Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris. She says she left 13 brothers in the Franco-Prussian war. She gives her secret of longevity as "I eat sparingly and mostly I eat my food raw." She lives alone does her own shopping daily, and conducts a daily class in French for children.

Single Debt Act

Urges Joint Action By The Dominion And Provincial Governments

Joint action by the Dominion and provincial governments in establishing a single debt act with possibly a debt court similar to the bankruptcy court was urged by J. E. Brownlee, former premier of Alberta, as a means of solving debt problems.

Addressing the annual convention of the United Farmers of Alberta, Mr. Brownlee warned the statistical wheat situation was at a dangerous point and might bring about another three, four or five years of depression prices to further accentuate the debt problem.

Mr. Brownlee estimated the total Alberta farm debt at $317,000,000 which, he said, was conservative. Adjustment of debts under the farmers' creditors arrangement act, federal legislation, and the debt adjustment act, provincial legislation, was too slow and greater concentration on solution of debt problems was essential, he declared.

Acting Alone, neither the Dominion nor the province could solve the debt problem because of the legislative limitations under the British North America Act. Together they could bring about an effective and satisfactory solution.

Chinchilla Farming

Three Ottawa District Men Invest In Foundation Stock

It will take them 10 years to harvest a crop, but three Ottawa district men have decided to go in for chinchilla farming. Chinchilla furs are about the most costly to be bought.

A. L. Mansfield, Ottawa; R. H. McIlquham, Lanark, Ont., and W. Thomas McGill, Perth, Ont., will invest $14,000 in four pairs of chinchillas that soft-furred little rodent that looks like a wood-land rat. The "livestock" of the new ranch will remain at Cardston, Alta., where they were raised, until late spring.

A good breeding chinchilla is worth around $1,500, or about $75 an ounce, and the pelt worth about $150 or $10 on the fur market. They breed twice a year, averaging two young ones to the litter.

The Ottawa farmers plan to let their stock of chinchilla multiply for at letast 10 years before they start killing them for the fur.

Seldom does steel contain more than 1.50 per cent. of carbon; the pig iron from which it is made has a carbon content of four per cent. or more.

Sorting The Drivers

Mere Mechanical Tests Would Bar Some Of Safest From Roads

They have started tests in Vancouver to find out who are safe automobile drivers. The verdict of the testing machines, of course, will not be followed or half the drivers in the country, at least, would be put off the roads, for hardly anyone is a really safe driver. Under certain conditions the safest driver is a menace to everyone.

We must be satisfied if we eliminate the drivers who are dangerous all the time. But if the police aided by mechanical tests, they will inevitably bar some of the safest drivers from the roads while issuing permits to some of the dangerous.

I know of a man with only one eye, who may fail the tests for that reason, and yet is the safest driver I know. He never goes more than 25 miles an hour and in 25 years has never grazed a fender. And I know a dozen young fellows who have perfect eyesight and drive superbly and are sure to pass the tests, and yet should never be allowed on the road. They are menaces to everyone, partly because they drive so well. They drive so well they think they can drive safely at any speed, and they will end up killing themselves, which is bad enough, and other people, which is worse.

No machine can test them out. No evidence yet invented will test the character and temperament and the brain, and in the end, they are the important factor. The police should consider them as well as the mechanical results of the test.—Bruce Hutchison in Victoria Times.

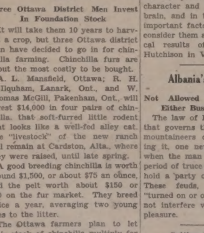
Albania's Blood Feuds

Not Allowed To Interfere With Either Business Or Pleasure

The law of Lek is a strange code governing the blood feuds of the mountaineers of Albania. Respecting it, one never shoots his enemy when the man has arranged for a period of truce so he can go to town, hold a 'party or gather his harvest. These feuds, therefore, may be "turned on or off" at will and will not interfere with one's business or pleasure.

Getting Rested For Job

Almost the first action of the Havelock, Ont., town council at its inaugural meeting was to appoint William Akins as constable, town hall caretaker, assessor, sanitary inspector and weed inspector. It may was to grant Constable (etc.) Akins a month's leave of absence.



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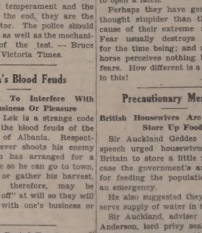

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There is no Alice Brooks pattern book published

Forest Fire Research Results In The Prevention Of Fires Reaching Large Proportions

Worked At Marlborough House

Montreal Man Used To Carry Present King On His Back

The little fellow Richard Howard used to carry pick-a-back 40 years ago will be in Montreal soon, and Howard will be down to the train to see him. He is the royal valet now because the little fellow has grown up to be King George VI.

Richard Howard lives now with his dog Towser at the Little Sisters of the Poor hostel, but back in the last century he was a royal servant at Marlborough House. The Duke of York—later to become King George V.—lived there, and the future king of to-day was one of the children who liked to romp across the garden with Howard.

The old servant remembers the present King as a quiet but charming youngster who loved to play games and liked most to be carried around the garden on the servant's back. So did young Edward, who preceded the present King to the throne.

"If you carried him on your back once, he want you to do it again," Howard said of the abdicated monarch as a boy.

When his one-time charge arrives in Montreal on the royal train Howard said, he does not plan to try to meet him again. He will be down to see the Monarch and his Queen, but that is all. For Howard is a shy and modest man.

He was employed at a Montreal hotel in the 1870's when the present Duke of Windsor came to Canada as Prince of Wales. But Howard made no attempt to speak to him even though the Prince entered the hotel where he worked.

He left the royal service to enter the Boer War, and then came out to Canada. Now his only association with the days in Buckingham Palace is a framed picture of himself and Buckingham Palace by Queen Victoria when she celebrated her Diamond Jubilee.

Horse Sense

Frightened Horses Perceive Nothing But Their Own Fears

One of the greatest authorities on wild animals denied intelligence to the horse, which he called on the strength of his observation from an accident in a railway tunnel two miles away; but he constantly insisted that horses have also particular gifts of perception. There is no doubt at all that some of them have a sense of the approval of a hunting morning. They can also accumulate knowledge of memory, as for example of the way to get to a ranch.

Perhaps they have generally been thought stupider than they are because of their extreme sensitiveness. Fear usually destroys intelligence for the time being; and a frightened horse perceives nothing but his own fears. How different is a fox or a rat in this!

Precautionary Measures

British Housewives Are Urged To Store Up Food

Sir Auckland Geddes in a recent speech urged housewives of Great Britain to store a little food now in case the government arrangements for feeding the population failed in an emergency.

He also suggested they keep a reserve supply of water in their houses.

Sir Auckland, adviser to Sir John Anderson, air raid precaution minister of civilian defence, said a ministry of national service already exists in skeleton form.

As minister "a young and active man"—has already been chosen to head it. He did not say whom.

Kept Her Pledge

A 78-Year-Old Promise Held Sacred Until Death

Miss Alice Farende, 102-year-old survivor from another era, died recently in New Orleans, true to a 78-year-old pledge of sisterhood made when war called her sweetheart. It was in 1861, shortly after her debut, that her fiance marched away with the Washington artillery to fight for the confederacy. She told him she would "wait, honey," would never wed if he did not return. The young artilleryman died in action. "Miss Alice" kept her pledge.

Had Homing Instinct

Drew Branch's "homing" pig has him puzzled. He gave the animal to a brother who lives about half way miles from Apalachicola, Fla. Four days later the pig returned. Now Branch can't figure out whether it hiked down a highway, crossing a five-mile bridge, or picked its way through a woods, swimming four streams en route.

A rocky out-cropping in the Utah Rockies, which forms a natural toboggan route down the mountainside is known as the "Devil's Slide."

At one point, the ceiling of the Carlsbad Caverns, N.M., is 300 feet high.

While statistics for the past 20 years show there has been a general trend increase of ten per cent. in the annual number of forest fires in Canada, they also show there has been a trend decrease of more than 50 per cent. in the size of the average fire, according to the Department of Mines and Resources, Ottawa. Carelessness and increased travel through the forested regions in recent years have been largely responsible for the greater number of fires, while the reduction in the size of the fires has been brought about by the steadily increasing efficiency of the protective agencies. Modern methods of prevention and detection together with effective fire-fighting equipment now prevent many forest fires from reaching destructive proportions.

Progress in forest fire research is reported for 1938. Projects carried on at forest experiment stations in Canada during the year included the gathering of information for the compilation of fire-hazard tables, investigative work to develop improved methods of detecting and fighting forest fires, and the testing of new kinds of fire-fighting equipment.

New fire-hazard tables for computing the daily hazard were published for the major forest types in Eastern Canada as well as for those of spruce-balsam forests. Work on the spruce-balsam forests was carried out at experimental stations in Quebec and New Brunswick, where numerous large-scale fires were set on areas specially prepared to show the behaviour of fire under different weather conditions. From these tests and a study of past fire records the hazard information has been obtained, which will assist in the compilation of fire-hazard tables for the cover spruce-balsam forests.

A study is being made also of the practical application of fire-hazard information to the problems of forest administration, and plans are being drawn up for one region which will indicate the organization unit ation required at each degree of hazard.

In co-operation with the National Research Council of Canada preliminary plans have been made for research projects on the penetration of fire-brands at backing fires. Many bad fires which start during periods of low visibility are not detected by the present system and they have attained large size, and it is hoped that the projected studies will indicate means whereby the visibility of lookout towers may be improved during smoky periods.

Many other minor projects with a view to the improvement of present fire protection were carried out at the various forest experiment stations with gratifying results.

Dwarfs Previous Efforts

White Leghorn Ova Farm In Scotland Lays Four-Yolked Egg

A millionaire's breakfast—a 7½ ounce four-yolked egg—has been laid by a White Leghorn hen at an Aberfoyle poultry farm in Scotland.

It is believed to constitute a world record. The average weight of hen's eggs, it is stated, was one in the region of 5½ ounces with only two yolks.

The hen, bred and owned by Mr. C. C. Mann, of Renagour Poultry Farm, Aberfoyle, is a regular breed of the two-comb White Leghorn. Mr. Mann was amazed when he discovered his young White Leghorn sitting beside the nest-box.

After the farmer persuaded himself that he was seeing correctly he carefully lifted the egg from the nest and weighed and measured it. It was 2¼ inches broad and over 3½ inches long.

The monster is displayed beside one of the hen's now diminutive-looking standard eggs in a Glasgow store.

Cannot Shake His Belief

Editor Of Texas Newspaper Knows It Pays To Advertise

Editor L. F. Wade, of Jayton, Texas, knows what he is talking about when he argues it pays to advertise in his Jayton Chronicle. He recently carried this full page advertisement sponsored by local firms: "Wanted— A good, sound, working general that will cover Kenty county." Soon after the paper hit the street it started raining. It didn't stop until 11½ inches had been recorded.

Hundred Years From Now

One hundred years from now ten tasters will gather in London to sample a brew of the best loaves selected from the 1938 crops. Market "Not to be opened till January 10, 2039," the tea is wrapped in vegetable parchment, aluminum foil and an outer covering of lead. It is hoped that its flavor will thus be preserved.

Fortune In Book Royalties

Since Mark Twain's death in 1910, his publishers have paid nearly $1,- 500,000 in book royalties to his estate. They have never dipped under $50,000 per annum, and have hit as high as $91,000 in a single year.

In New Guinea, beetles with hard shells of many lovely colors are found. Native women catch them and thread them into necklaces.

Yes, Sir—
BEE HIVE Syrup
is my
morning
cereal
sweetener.

TRY IT TOMORROW

Science Aids Fishing Industry

Scientific Developments Of Great Assistance To New England Fisheries

Science has come to the aid of the New England fishing industry and, in spite of the Furore over the Canadian trade treaty, may keep the dashing fleets out of the red.

W. C. Herrington, director of the North Atlantic area for the United States Bureau of Fisheries, expects that within the next few months scientific developments will quicken the pace of research and relieve offshore fisheries to the full flood of prosperity which once made them New England's largest industry.

The Bureau, with a laboratory at Harvard University, studies the mysteries of fish nature and life, in cooperation with owners of fishing vessels and the managements of the few big corporations that are rapidly absorbing the industry.

Results already have been projected. The mackerel, most whimsical fish in the sea, has been a riddle for years. No one knew where to find the schools. Working from Maine to Florida, the scientists studied the mackerel, traced its migration routes and habits, and soon announced a complete time-table of its annual behavior.

With the solution of the mackerel problem well advanced, scientists turned their attention to providing new crops of fish species to bolster cod and haddock which for years were the two chief kinds marketed. Such names as cusk, dabs, wolf fish, rosefish, red fish, pollock, gray sole, lemon sole, and so forth, have begun to appear on the fish receipts. As further example of this search for new marine crops, there is the agitation for shrimp. Already shrimpers are giving New England a new source of income.

Another thing the scientists have done is to prevent the destruction of hordes of small fish which, brought ashore by fishermen in their nets, by the hundreds of thousands, were discarded as being too small for the market. Scientists determined that the soluble oil being extracted by doffed his hat to her when she enough to hold fish of commercial value size. So nets with 4¾ inch mesh were scheduled as ideal and fishing companies to a large extent have adopted them.

Livestock Population

The Number Of Cattle, Sheep And Pigs In The World

It is impossible to be accurate with any degree of accuracy the number of cattle, sheep, and pigs in the world, the International Economic Committee, for in many areas the figures are either incomplete or entirely lacking.

At a rough estimate, the number of cattle may be in the region of 600 millions, of which about two-fifths are in the British Empire.

Sheep may number about 750 millions, with between one-third and two-fifths in the Empire; pigs perhaps total about 250 millions, of which about five per cent. are in Empire countries.

Valuable Treasures Revealed

When Sealed Doors Of Munich Museum Chapel Are Opened

The opening of three sealed doors in the Munich Residenz Museum will reveal to the public the treasures of the Wittelsbachs—the former Bavarian Royal family. Behind the doors is the Secret Chapel of the Elector Maximilian I. Its wonderful ecclesiastical treasures are stored, and also a room containing the crowns of the former rulers of Bavaria and precious regalia, gems and state swords. The public will also see the gold statue of St. George, studded with emeralds and rubies. And dating back to the eighth century is a portable gold altar made for the Emperor Arnulf by the goldsmiths of St. Denis.

Almost any wild animal will hesitate to attack if you pick up a stone and make a pretext of throwing it, jungle explorers have found.

It has reached a point where the cynic observes that they serve everything now on a leaf of lettuce except a subpoena.

Source Of Sun's Heat

Scientists Find It Is The Same Carbon As Found In Coal

Discovery that carbon, the stuff that makes coal, is the source of the heat of the sun has been announced by Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y.

On earth man burns only the outside of the carbon atom. In the sun this atomic nucleus "burns". The nucleus gives many million times more heat than the "outside."

How the sun can give so much heat without burning up has been one of the great puzzles of science. Scientists find its size and heat are not even diminishing over millions of years.

The new solution was given by Professor H. A. Bethe of the Cornell physics department, winner of the Morrison prize of $500 for the best paper on solar and stellar energy.

"To supply the heat radiated by the sun in a single second," he said, "ten million million tons of coal would have to be burned."

Dr. Bethe then described the recent discovery of disintegration of atomic nuclei by the impacts of atomic nuclei. The popular name for this is atom smashing. The disintegrated atoms multiply and in doing so release enormous amounts of heat or other forms of energy.

Dr. Bethe said it has been generally assumed such disintegrations supply the heat of the sun. But nobody knew which kind of nuclei was the fuel.

"When a carbon nucleus is disintegrated by the impact of a fast hydrogen atom, about 10,000,000 times as much heat is developed as in the ordinary combustion of a carbon atom in a stove," Dr. Bethe explained. "Only, it takes much higher temperatures to set nuclei 'afire' than ordinary stoves do.

"Coal lights at a temperature of a few hundred degrees. Atomic nuclei light only at about 10,000,000 degrees. Such temperatures are matter of question on earth. But in stars they occur all the time. Eddington has estimated that the temperature of our sun at the centre is 20,000,000 degrees."

Woman Won Her Bet

Parked Car In Space When Husband Said It Was Impossible

We know a woman who has just won 25 cents from her husband by her proficiency to back a car into a tight parking space. The thrill of the acid test was the culmination of months of irritation. She had been fretting at the way newspaper headline petty accident stories with "Woman Driver . . ." and their neglect to tell how many men drivers were there. So one day recently she was in the car with her husband and they were looking for a place to park. They finally found one and stood in behind a double row of cars and friend husband scoffed at the idea that any woman could back into that space

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Upright and just to the end of their days;
Sincere and true in their heart and mind,
Beautiful memories they left behind.
THE FAMILY

Local Grain Prices.

(By I. J. Cloes, Alberta Pool Elevator)

TUESDAY, February 7, 1939

Wheat (Red Spring)—	
No. 1 Northern	.38
No. 2 Northern	.35
No. 3 Northern	.30
No. 4	.24
No. 5	.18
No. 6	.17
Feed	.16
Wheat (Garnet)—	
1 C.W.	.30
2 C.W.	.27
Oats—	
2 C.W.	.16
3 C.W.	.12
Ex. 1 feed	.12
1 feed	.12
2 feed	.10½
Barley—	
No. 3	.24
No. 4	.19½
No. 5	.17½
No. 6	.16
Rye—	
2 C.W.	.22
3 C.W.	.18½
4 C.W.	.14
Flax—	
1 C.W.	1.24
2 C.W.	1.20
3 C.W.	1.09

Track Price, basis No. 1 Nor.—
Fort William .....
Vancouver .....

Dominion Wheat Board Prices

Street Prices in Delia

No. 1, Hard	.00
No. 1 Northern	61½
No. 2 Northern	58½
No. 3 Northern	55½
No. 4 Northern	49½
No. 5 Wheat	45
No. 6 Wheat	35
Feed Wheat	28½
No. 1 C.W. Garnet	63½
No. 2 C.W. Garnet	59½
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INDISPENSABLE

The rooted belief of ministers that their continuance in office is absolutely essential to the welfare of those over whose destinies they hold temporary sway is a well-known phenomenon, and Hon. Wm. Aberhart is no exception to this common illusion. At the third annual convention of the Social Credit League he made this very clear by declaring there there would be no election in Alberta until 1940.

General opinion appears to differ from the Hon. gentleman's estimate of the value of his services to the province, for it would be difficult to discover anything he has accomplished that is of real benefit to the people. On the contrary, his most earnest efforts have been directed toward hampering business and thus retarding the development of Alberta, while as for definite promises of improving the common lot, a reference to the "increase of purchasing power" should be sufficient. The sales tax could scarcely have been devised to effect so desirable an end, nor the various trade licenses imposed on business and working men alike.

By staying his term of office to its constitutional end, Mr. Aberhart, in his last year, promises to finally introduce the millenium. However, there is a world of difference between theory and practice and the opinion may be ventured that the record of the premier's last year will differ little in practical benefit to the people than his first. Indeed, the only benefit to all the people of the province is the complete elimination of Mr. Aberhart from the political field. That result would leave Alberta a better land in which to live and work.

REACTIONARY PROGRESS

A recent dispatch from New Zealand states that the finance minister of the Labor government in that country has refused to exclude books, periodicals and newspapers from the import license restrictions, and suggests that the trade should confine imports to the literature necessary to dominion requirements.

Believers in progress have long maintained that free access to the literature of the world is of vital importance to the enlightenment of the masses, but it's an old saying that extremes meet and that circumstances often make strange bed fellows. Here is a Labor government, generally looked upon as being in the vanguard of democratic progress, acting in precisely the same manner as the last Conservative government of Canada, which adopted similar measures in regard to literature. The parallel extends further to some degree in considering the spirit behind the regulations. The New Zealand minister suggests curtailment, and a pro test made to a Canadian customs official in 1932, met with the advice that the complainant confine purchases to Canadian literature.

A case of officialdom gone mad.

MORE LICENSING

Time was when governments were only too anxious to assist people to settle in the vast spaces of the Dominion. But nowadays, having found out how easy it is tax those who wrest a precarious living in the backblocks of Canada, it seems to have been decided to charge them high and license them to stay here.

The latest example is an ordinance issued by the council of the Northwest Territory, which is administered by the Dominion Department of Mines and Resources, and licenses for trade from $50.00 for a bank to $5.00 for a second-hand dealer. Professional men are roped in at $25.00, while printers are lumped with barbers, bakers and blacksmiths at $10.00.

This licensing craze is spreading; for to make sure no one escapes, a blanket clause in the Act calls for a fee of $10.00 for occupations not specified.

Surely conveying on a profession at Fort Resolution and paying a license for the privilege! The idea seems all wrong to us. One should be honored for living there.

The rapid decline of the so-called Christian Social Credit movement into the worst features of the old-line political party system, was never better exemplified than in the terms of a resolution brought up at the annual convention of the Social Credit League, which asked "That government appointments be given only to Social Creditors." The touch of pitch appears to have befouled the hem of the movement's garment.

Local and District

C.N.R. bargain fare to Calgary and return, Feb 17-18. See advt.
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A carload of horses was shipped east out of Delia last week.
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Miss Dunlop, R.N., of St. Hilda's College, Calgary, was a week-end visitor at the home of her parents.
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Mrs. Wm. Stevenson, of Craigmyle, returned on Wednesday last from a winter vacation in Chicago.
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The Pioneer Grain Company has shipped out six carloads of wheat during the past few days.
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Retiring mayor Wm. Gibson was re-elected on the village council by acclamation on nomination day, Monday, February 6th.
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L. N. Morell took over recently as C.N.R. night operator. A heavy traffic in coal trains has developed as a result of the severe weather.
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Mrs. Stanley Horsky, who left immediately after the New Year for a visit to friends in Chicago, U.S., returned home on Thursday last.
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Miss Nancy Chase was a recent visitor to Calgary, where she attended the presentation of "The Youngest of the Guard," given by a University of Alberta troupe in the auditorium of Western Canada High School.
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The fine weather of the winter came to an end on Friday, February 3rd. There was no blizzard or heavy snowfall in this district, but persistent easterly winds accompanied a steady drop in temperature until a reading of 35 degrees below zero was registered at the C.N.R. depot on the following Thursday morning, since when there has been some slight improvement.
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Staff change at Crown Lumber Company, Limited

Mr. Shirvill Wood, who for the last seven years has been manager of the Crown Lumber Company's yard and hardware store, has been transferred to the managership of the Company's large hardware store in Stettler. His place will be taken by Mr. L. B. Comtright, who is an old-timer of the Delia district, having run the Crown Lumber yard about ten years ago.
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One rink from Delia, skipped by D. H. Campbell, competed in the Drumheller bonspiel and was successful in winning the Hy-Grade Cup and placing third in the Yellowhead Cup. Prizes for the former were percolator sets, and for the latter, carving sets. It is stated that Delia and Hanna took one-fourth of the prizes at the 'spiel. Delia's rink was as follows: D. H. Campbell (skip), John Battle, I. J. Olsen, and John Morrison.

Those Curling Club Critics

At the club room at the rink
O'n benches, row by row,
Are spirit and a cheering game
While wreaths of smoke they blow.
And if you really want to learn
The fine points of the play,
Don't shout your rocks, but stay in
And listen to what they say.

He light your pipe and take a seat
While it's warm and nice,
Where better games are always curled
Than out upon the ice.
For soon you'll hear, "He's narrow
guard,"
He's coming far too hard;
No, no, it's sweep, let it go—
He's going to get a guard.

Say, watch that guy, the twist he
makes
Is his delivery—
He'll tie himself into a knot
If he should draw the tee.
He'll never get it, oh let it hog,
He never got the broom,
There's no excuse to miss that shot,
He sure had lots of room.

Where he's the player that shot for—
What can he be about?
He ought to take a running shot
And take the rock right out.
He'll never get it that ice—
Well, look at what he struck!
He got it after all, but then
It has a long way back.

But when these men are called to
play,
These curlers skilled and wise—
They never make the same mistakes
As those they criticise.
They find it takes but little skill
To criticise the game,
And play a scientific game
When they are off the ice.

So as we pass along life's way,
Still we hear loud the call,
We're always skilful when we throw
The other fellow's rock.
This disposition is not strange—
Through life it's much the same.
We're always wisest when we skip
The other fellow's game.

Teachers' Pension Plan To Be Government Bill

Proposed Pension Of $25 Per Month On Retirement

It is currently reported that the Teachers' Pension plan sponsored by officials of the Alberta Teachers' Alliance will be introduced as a government measure during the present session of the legislature.

If the bill is passed it will affect every school teacher employed in the province, of whom there are more than 5,000.

The scheme is of a compulsory nature, and it is estimated that the teachers will contribute approximately 5 per cent of their annual salaries. Contributions from general provincial revenue would amount to about $7,000 this year, and would automatically increase in subsequent years.

Teachers upon reaching the age of 65 would retire, and upon leaving the service would be entitled to the pension which would amount to around $25 per month.

Care of Home Plants

Experimental Farm Weekly Letter

Plants in the home furnish an atmosphere that adds immeasurably to the enjoyment of living. They are living, breathing things that soon droop and die if neglected, whereas if cared for they provide an enjoyable means of adding beauty to the home during the long months of winter.

In caring for them, four things are important. These are moisture, light, temperature and soil.

Moisture is mentioned first because it is the factor most frequently neglected. A characteristic of the Alberta climate, during winter especially, is that the atmosphere contains very little moisture, and the air in homes, particularly those heated with hot air or hot water without humidifiers, is even drier. For this reason the watering of house plants here requires extra attention. Watering at irregular intervals will not give satisfactory results, because the plants are first allowed to become too dry and then too wet. Some plants do best in a very moist soil, while others thrive in a comparatively dry soil, but best results are obtained where a relatively uniform moisture condition is maintained from day to day.

A temperature most favourable for house plants is often difficult to maintain in the average home. During the day the temperature is kept rather too high for most plants, which results, if other conditions are favorable, in a large amount of tender unhealthy growth. At night when the house is allowed to cool down to a point unfavorable for plants, this tender growth is easily injured and the plants die from no apparent cause.

South windows provide best light conditions for sun-loving plants, such as geraniums and roses and flowering begonia, while plants such as Rex begonia, sansiderias and Norfolk pine that prefer diffused sunlight, are favored by an east window. West windows are less favorable because the afternoon sun is usually too strong for most plants.

Soil for potting is a relatively simple matter, because plants will adapt themselves to a wide range of soil conditions, providing the necessary food elements are supplied in proper amounts. A good potting soil is made by mixing garden soil with well-rotted manure and clean sand. In addition, the use of chemical fertilizer pills is recommended.

All plants grown near windows should be turned around occasionally, as they tend to grow toward the light and become unsightly if left in one position.

House plant pests, such as aphids and black fly, can be readily controlled by treating with a nicotine solution made with one tea spoonful of Black Leaf Forty to one gallon of water. To make the aphicide stick better, a weak solution of soap is added, using only a pure soap such as castile. Soaps containing lye are not safe to use. In treating, immerse the plants in the solution if possible. Otherwise spray. Do this at night and in the morning wash off with cold water. Never dip plants and directly expose them to sunlight. This will cause scalding. Scales which occur on fern plants and Fuschias are controlled by washing each leaf in soapy water. Red spiders and mealy bugs are simply washed off by spraying with a fine strong spray of water or malathion where a spray is not available.

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Notice to Ratepayers

In the Drumheller Municipal Hospital District No. 3

All ratepayers who are assessed in respect of property within the Hospital District as above must pay a minimum tax of $6.00 for hospital purposes by the 1st day of March A.D. 1939, and each subsequent year.

Payment should be made to the City Clerk and Treasurer in the City of Drumheller, and to the respective Secretaries of Municipal Districts, Villages and Hamlets in the rural areas. In the case of those resident in Improvement Districts, payment should be made to the person duly appointed to receive payment of taxes. This levy is made under authority of the Honourable Minister of Health. To obtain the Hospital supporters' fee of $1.00 per day for themselves and dependents, ratepayers will be required to produce a receipt as proof of payment of the minimum tax.

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Western Wheat for Eastern "Fish and Chips"

It Takes Canadian Hard Wheat To Make Good Canadian Fish and Chips

Throughout the East, "Fish and Chips" are a popular feature in restaurants and for quick, impromptu meals. In all the large cities, the streets are dotted with little shops specializing in making this welcome combination for their customers to eat in the shop, or to take home with them. And the young folk have taken them up for hot snacks after skating and skiing.

Western hard wheat is advocated by the leading home economists because a batter made with hard wheat absorbs less fat during cooking, and preserves the delicate flavour of the Canadian fish. The same thing that is true in Eastern Canada holds true in England where modern "Fish and Chips" originated, and recognition is accorded to the supremacy of Canadian hard wheat.

FISH AND CHIPS

BATTER—
2 egg yokes
½ cup fish milk
1 tablespoon melted butter
1 cup hard wheat flour
½ teaspoon salt
2 egg whites
½ teaspoon baking powder

Beat the egg yokes and add the milk and melted butter. Sift and measure the flour, and refift with the salt and baking powder. Combine with the liquid and fold in the stiffly beaten egg whites.

Cut the fish (halibut, cod or haddock) into serving portions, dip in batter and fry in deep fat (360° to 390°F.) until a delicate brown. Drain on unglazed paper and serve with French Fried Potatoes.

Of every 1,000 persons, one reaches 100-years of life; of every 100 only six reach the age of 65 and not more than one in 700 lives to 80 years of age.

Rotary Plows to Keep Main Highways Open

Prepared to keep the main highways open in case of a heavy fall of snow suddenly, two modern rotary snow plows bought last fall by the provincial department of public works, are standing by in Edmonton and Calgary.

These rotary plows, first of the kind to be used in this province, were purchased at a cost of $11,000 each. They are intended primarily for deep snow which they lift and hurl a considerable distance off the roadway.

Tests of these plows, which were conducted some time ago, showed that they would give results on Alberta highways.

Owing to the comparatively light snowfall this winter, rotary plows have not been required. So far, lighter plows operated by the Delia works department have kept the roads open by any places where there was danger of a blockade.

Securing of modern snow plow equipment is in accordance with representations which were made to the provincial authorities in recent years by the Alberta Motor Association.

With the license year now in effect throughout the winter months, it is essential that the provincial and municipal authorities do everything possible to keep the highways open in winter, says A.M.A. officials.

Hope to Double Airmail Service

Doubling of the airmail service between Edmonton, Calgary and Lethbridge is expected in the future, in line with representations made earlier this month by Hon. James A. MacKinnon, federal minister without portfolio.

The suggestion is to have two round trips daily to connect with east and westbound planes through Lethbridge instead of just one round trip, as at present. It was reported the two round trips daily might start March 1.

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